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Foreign.

London, Dec. 29.—Right Hon. Mr. Gladstone has written an open letter concerning the statement of several Conservative journals that he was responsible for the continuance of the £10,000 income drawn by Duke Alfred of Saxe-Cobourg-Gotha, from the British government. He says that the assertions are utterly untrue, as not a member of the cabinet objected to the arrangement as to the duke's income when it was under discussion.

Amsterdam, Dec. 29.—Fifteen persons were drowned off this city during the fog to-day. The fog was dense from the east English coast, across the sea and throughout the Netherlands.

London, Dec. 29.—Albert Ruhmann and his companion, Zella Nicolls, who came to London after having sued Geo. Gould for $40,000, will go to Paris to-morrow. Since their arrival at the Savoy hotel on Dec. 20, they have avoided observation as much as possible, and rarely have been seen in the public rooms.

Buy Christmas and New Year Wines from the California Wine Co., Ltd., 55 and 57 Broad street.

CUSHING'S ISLAND.

Large Sum Awarded a Well-Known Montreal Family,

FOR THIRTY ACRES OF LAND

For the Famous Island in Portland Harbor, Maine,

Owned by the Cushing Family—United States Government the Purchasers—Fortifications to be Erected—Suspected Customs Rascality at Barrie—Murder at the Soo.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—For some time past negotiations have been in progress between the United States government and the Cushing family, of Montreal, and others interested, for the purchase of a block of land on Cushing's Island, in the harbor of Portland, Me., on which to erect fortifications. Yesterday a jury, which has had the affair under consideration for a month past, awarded the sum of $103,000 for the 33 acres which the government requires. Cushing's Island is one of the most popular summer resorts on the Maine coast, and the addition of a fort to the many other interesting attractions will be another reason for the tourist's visit.

Eastern Canada.

Barrie, Ont., Dec. 30.—For the past few days an inspection of the books of the local customs officials has been in progress, and importers have also been summoned to testify to amounts of duties paid in specific instances. Irregularities have been discovered and Collector Grant has been suspended.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—Rev. H. Irwin has arrived at the Windsor from New Westminster, B. C., on his way to England.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Great interest centres in the result of the civic election for mayor here on Monday. Two great meetings were held here last night in the interests of Fleming and Kennedy respectively. Mr. Kennedy is ill in bed as a result of too much work.

Government Detective Greer, and High Constable Hurst of Brampton, yesterday paid a visit to the house formerly occupied by James Williams and his wife by the Middle Road, Toronto township, and thoroughly searched the house, yards, and adjoining fields, with a view of ascertaining, now that the snow has entirely disappeared, if the murderer left any instrument behind, which may have been used by him in killing the old people. Their search was unsuccessful.

Beeton, Ont., Dec. 30.—Word was received to-day from Sault Ste. Marie, that Mrs. Peter P. Colloni, mother of Mrs. W. Robinson of this place, has been murdered. Mrs. Colloni has been missing since Dec. 6th, and yesterday her body was found buried in the chicken house. When dug up the body presented a ghastly appearance; sand adhered to the face, head and feet, the dress was missing; over the right eye was a contusion as if made by a blunt instrument; not two feet away from the burial place of Mrs. Colloni, lay the frozen carcass of a hog. Her husband has been arrested charged with the crime.

Drowned in Volga.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 30.—A dispatch from Nizni Novgorod states that during a charity carnival that was being held on the Volga, the ice broke and a large number of people fell into the water. Twenty-eight were drowned.

American Suicide Club.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 30.—It is believed a suicide club exists in the northwest, with at least two living members in St. Paul. A third member in this city committed suicide yesterday by drinking carbolic acid, a fourth member committed suicide one day before Christmas, employing the same means. Other deaths can be traced to the same source. They occurred in Milwaukee and were the daughter of Herman Nunnemacher and her lover. On Christmas day were buried here Miss Maggie O'Rourke, of Duluth, who committed suicide by taking carbolic acid. Yesterday Ella O'Rourke, her sister, who has been living at the home of another sister, Mrs. J. N. Dougherty, also took carbolic acid. The daughter of Herman Nunnemacher and her lover committed suicide in the same way. Now Mrs. Dougherty is being watched carefully to see that she does not commit suicide, and her husband admits that she wishes to. The clue to the mysterious deaths, which occurred from no known cause, as all the victims were apparently happy and free from care, is given in a statement from West Superior, Wisconsin. This says the suicides are the fulfilment of an agreement between the families that each one is to die at a certain time. Friends in West Superior vouch for the truth of this statement.

Charged With Murder.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Albert Seale, of Shelby, Ala., alarmed her neighbors on Thursday night by announcing that her husband had come home drunk and had fallen upon the floor, fracturing his skull. The coroner of the county summoned a jury yesterday, and after a short inquest it brought in a verdict of murder, charging Mrs. Seale with the crime. Examination showed that the man's head had been cut open by a hatchet or some other edged instrument. Mrs. Seale now says her husband received his injuries before he reached home.

Schooner Lost, Crew Saved.

Port Townsend, Wn., ec. 30.—The schooner Mary Parker, Captain F. L. Bangs, was wrecked three miles off Race Rocks last night. All hands were saved. They put off in small boats and reached Port Angeles this morning. The schooner sailed on the 27th for Alaska on a sealing cruise. She ran into some drift logs, which punched a hole through her bows. She sank immediately. The vessel was owned by Washington Irving of Neah Bay, an Indian, and carried a native crew. She was built in 1876 in Utsalady, and was valued at $1,200; fully insured.

Evans Still Free.

Fresno, Cal., Dec. 30.—No tidings has been received of Evans or from the sheriff's posse. Mrs. Evans has been held by Justice Austin for $3,000 for complicity in Evans' release. Her brother is expected from Visalia to-day with the bondsmen.

An Armor Test.

Sandy Hook, N.Y., Dec. 30.—Another test, gun v. armor, was made to-day. Four twelve-inch Wheeler-Sterling deck-piercing shells were fired from a twelve-inch mortar, with a charge of 45 pounds and 7 ounces of powder, against four and one-half inch of plates. Every shell went through the plates and the strong backing which held it. The shells did not show even a scratch.

Bonilla and Vasquez.

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 30.—General Bonilla has taken command of the Honduran invaders, has issued a proclamation and is marching towards Choluteca. Numerous desertions are reported from President Vasquez' ranks to those of Bonilla. Central America is alarmed at the report that Vasquez is engaging American filibusters, and the press is recalling the Walker expedition in this connection.

The Winter Carnival.

Quebec, Dec. 30.—Lord Aberdeen informed Mr. Dorion, the secretary of the Quebec committee, that he would arrive here on Tuesday, January 30th, to attend the carnival. Work was begun to-day by Messrs. Cummings & Sharp on the ice fort and tower on the fortification wall opposite the parliament buildings, permission having previously been given to that effect by the military authorities.

Central and Southern Compact.

New York, Dec. 30.—C. P. Huntington announces today that the lease of the Central Pacific to the Southern Pacific company had been modified, so that in future the Central Pacific would receive all its net earnings up to six per cent, upon its stock, and that any excess of net earnings above that amount would be divided equally between the two companies. Mr. Huntington explained that a clause on the original lease provided for a revision of the lease in case it was found that either party was being benefited at the expense of the other. The lease was made on April 10th, 1885, and was to run for 99 years. It provided that the Southern Pacific should pay the Central Pacific an annual rental of $1,300,000 and excess of net earnings after deducting certain stipulated charges up to $2,400,000. The terms were modified on January 1st, 1888, after the capital stock of the Central Pacific was increased to $68,000,000 to complete the Oregon and California extension, and the minimum rental was advanced to $1,360,000 and the maximum to $4,080,000. Stockholders were notified, however, in the annual report of the preceding year of the agreement under which the modification was proposed to be made, while no notice has been given them of a change in the terms of the lease that is expected to materially reduce the rental.

Important Indian Decision.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Secretary Smith has directed that all action be suspended for 30 days under a recent decision in the case of Black Tomahawk against Jane Waldron. This decision held that the daughter of a white man, a citizen of the United States, and an Indian woman, his wife, is a citizen of the United States and not an Indian, and is not entitled to all the privileges accorded to Indians. The decision involves many important results, among them being the validity of the great Sioux agreement, as well as the integrity of the annual rolls and rights under appropriations for support of the Indian schools. Owing to these vast interests Secretary Smith has determined to look further into the matter.

Train Robers Captured.

Independence, Kas., Dec. 30.—C. R. Redeger, state organizer of the Modern Woodmen, came from Nowatak yesterday and reports that Tom Pratner and Jim Hall have been captured and are now under arrest, charged with being members of the gang that robbed the Missouri Pacific passenger train a few miles south of Coffeyville on Sunday. Pratner and Hall are notorious desperadoes and have been implicated in many crimes committed in the territory and surrounding states. The remaining three robbers will undoubtedly soon be captured.

The Destroyer's Damages.

New York, Dec. 30.—The steamer Muriel arrived this morning from Barbadoes. When she left Martinique on Dec. 20th the steamer Santuite, having in tow the Brazilian gunboat Destroyer, and the Brazilian cruiser America, were at that port. Capt. McKenzie, of the Muriel says his ship was boarded by officers of the America in search of deserters from their ships. They did not say how many men had deserted. The damage to the Destroyer, according to what McKenzie was able to learn, was of such a serious nature as to necessitate her going on the dry-dock at Fort de France, in Martinique.

Peru and Ecuador.

Lima, Peru, Dec. 30.—The government sent yesterday on a steamer to Payta, Col. Paoli, formerly of the German army, and other officers as an expedition to make the plans of the frontier and enlist troops. It is reported the gunboat Lima is going to the same port with arms and ammunition. Ecuador has accepted the papal nuncio as mediator in her trouble with Peru.

SIR SAMUEL BAKER

Death of the Celebrated African Explorer To-Day,

AT HOME IN DEVONSHIRE, ENGLAND

A Wonderful Life-Work Which Won Him Great Honors.

Discoverer of the Sources of the Nile—A Vigorous Opponent of African Slavery—Medals and Honors Showered Upon Him—An Assiduous and Delightful Writer.

London, Dec. 30.—Sir Samuel White Baker, F.R.S., M.A., the distinguished African explorer, died this afternoon at his home, Newton Abbot, Devon.

Sir Samuel was born in London June 8th, 1821, was educated at a private school and in Germany and married in 1843. In 1847 he established the famous agricultural settlement and sanitorium at Newera Ellia, in the mountains of Ceylon, at an altitude of 6200 feet above the level of the sea. In 1854 he retired from Ceylon after 8 years' residence, and at the death of his wife in 1855, went to the Crimea. He began his preparations for the discovery of the sources of the Nile in 1861 at his own cost, the history of the expedition is well known to all readers of African history. For his services in this field the Sultan of Turkey conferred upon him the Order of the Medjidie and the rank of pasha and Major-general.

Sir Samuel was a voluminous and most entertaining writer. His works attained world-wide popularity and several of them are among the most valuable contributions to the literature of African exploration and adventure. Among his better known books are: "The Rifle and the Hound in Ceylon," "Eight Years' Wanderings in Ceylon," "The Albert Nyanza, great basin of the Nile and explorations of the Nile's sources," "The Nile Tributaries of Abyssinia and the Sword Hunters of the Hamram Arabs," "Cast Up by the Sea," a novel, translated into French by Mme. Fernand under the title of "L'Enfant du Naufrage;" Ismailia; a narrative of the expedition to Central Africa for the suppression of the Slave trade;" "Cyprus as I Saw it in 1879." Sir Samuel was a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society of London and an honorary member of the geographical societies of Paris, Berlin, Italy and America. He received the Grande Medaille d'Or of the Societe de Geographie de Paris. He was a deputy lieutenant of Gloucestershire and a J. P. of Devon; he had the orders, the Grand Cordon of the Medjidieh and the second and third classes, in addition to the second class of the Osmanie.

The provincial secretary and minister of education for British Columbia, Hon. Lieut.-Col. James Baker, is a brother of the deceased explorer. The celebrated Colonel Valentine Baker (Baker Pasha) was also a brother of Sir Samuel.

Atlantic Shipping.

New York, Dec. 30.—Arrived on the 29th: Ems, Southampton; Rugia, Hamburg; Veendam, Rotterdam; Germanic, Queenstown.

A Revengeful Domestic.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—It has just been learned that recently the family of W. Cook, M. A., of the legal firm of Fullerton, Cook & Wallace, had a narrow escape from death by poisoning at the hands of a revengeful servant. A few months ago a domestic was engaged by Mrs. Cook. She entered upon her duties with apparent docility, but before long she developed an unpleasant disposition and finally Mrs. Cook gave her notice of discharge. One morning Mrs. Cook discovered that the victuals which were to be eaten at breakfast had been tampered with. Investigation proved that the girl had made a deliberate attempt to murder the whole family by placing Paris green in the food. Mrs. Cook induced her husband not to take proceedings against the girl.

General News.

London, Dec. 29.—An accident at the Southampton docks yesterday did considerable damage to the steamer Paris, of the American line. The workmen who were engaged on the extension of the American quay at the express dock were driving a huge tubular pile, when an explosion took place. The pile bounded in the air and fell on the Paris, damaging her port side, smashing her cargo shoot and carrying away some of her rails. At six o'clock this evening divers had recovered three mutilated bodies of men who were at work near the pile when the explosion occurred. Two workmen are in the hospital and several are still reported as missing.

London, Dec. 29.—In the House of Commons to-day, Sir Edward Grey, parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, stated that the British squadron at Rio de Janeiro had recently been strengthened by the substitution of the cruiser Barracouta, for the sloop-of-war Basilisk, and the sloop-of-war Racer for the gunboat Magpie. Besides these the cruiser Sirius and the sloop-of-war Beagle were included in the squadron, which the government thought it was needless to further re-enforce.

London, Dec. 29.—A letter from Sir William Harcourt, chancellor of the exchequer, was read at a Liberal meeting held in Derby this evening to celebrate Mr. Gladstone's birthday. In this letter Sir William says: "Those who witness the manner in which our great commander takes his full share of the arduous labors of the day, with resolute devotion to the people's cause, are stimulated to fresh exertions, inspired by his example of undaunted courage. To serve with such a chief is in itself a great reward. I feel sure that the Liberals will rally with fresh energy to a cause worthy of such a leader."

THE WATER WE DRINK.

A Report From Engineer Wilmet on Matters of Interest

TO EVERY CITIZEN OF VICTORIA

Claim for Drowned Chickens—Cost of Lighting City—Ald. Bragg Moves for Information on Surface Drains—Resolution of Thanks.

There was only one absentee, Ald. Baker, from the council board at its special session yesterday afternoon at 4. The minutes were accepted as read. The finance committee reported recommending appropriations for sums, totalling $7,000. Adopted.

A report for the appropriation of $58.20 out of the surface drainage by-law funds was also adopted.

The school trustees asked the appropriation of $268.60 out of the educational fund. Passed.

The cemetery committee reported recommending that the caretaker of the cemetery be allowed $75 for help required on account of the increased number of interments during the past few months. The report also recommended that when burials exceeded twenty a month the caretaker be granted the actual cost of extra help.

The special committee on the Victoria & Sidney railway location inside the city limits and the terminus of the line reported favoring the plan approved of Dec. 18th last, and recommended that the city engineer be instructed to see the work properly carried out and to interfere as little as possible with the public convenience. The resolution of July 19th last was advised rescinded. Adopted.

A resolution for rescission will be posted on the bulletin board.

The Oak Bay avenue improvement by-law was put through final stages.

The Old Men's Home committee reported that the finance minister had agreed to pay, out of the provincial funds, $15 a month for the keep of John Wittenden in the home. The medical officer's certificate of good health as far as infectious diseases is concerned, accompanied the report.

Ald. Munn here presented the council with a plan of the grounds of the home, as they will be when properly laid out. The plan was handed in, Ald. Belyea saying he approved of the idea.

A report from the electric light superintendent gave information asked by Ald. Harris. This showed the cost for 1892 to have been $4,537 for salaries and $4,490 for maintenance, a total of $9,028. The cost of 2,000 candle-power lamps per year was $8,508, per month $716, per night $23.

City Engineer Wilmot reported in re water and waterworks matters as follows:

Victoria, December, 1893.

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—In accordance with instructions received in regard to preparing a scheme to improve and enlarge the water supply from Elk and Beaver lakes; said scheme to include:

1. The extension of the 24-inch main to the head works.

2. Damming Elk lake from Beaver lake, cleaning out Beaver lake and bringing water from Elk lake to filter beds while Beaver lake is being cleaned.

3. Building a dam that will raise and increase the supply of water to its reasonable highest capacity.

4. Also complete system of filter beds.

5. A water tower on top of high ground on Cook street, with hydraulic ram and separate pipes to supply the higher levels.

To give a detailed statements of all requirements to make the water works successful, etc.

The undersigned has the honor to submit the following report, which, from the fact of there being no funds available to obtain the necessary data for giving the information asked for on some points, includes such information as was obtainable from the data accessible at the time at his disposal.

Extension of the 24-inch main to the lake—3,500 feet has already been laid, which would leave a distance of 23,200 feet to construct. Basing the estimate on the contract price of the work already done the cost would be, approximately, $121,000.

The completion of this work would add greatly to the efficiency of the fire protection service, and would be of sufficient capacity to maintain a pressure at the City Hall for ten hydrants throwing 1,250 gallons per minute, while providing a supply for domestic purposes at the rate of about one million gallons per day, which, combined with the supply from the 16-inch main, would be ample for all requirements.

2. Damming Elk lake from Beaver lake, cleaning out Beaver lake, and bringing water from Elk lake to filter beds while Beaver lake is being cleaned. In order to carry out this work efficiently the dam would be required to be located at the south side of Elk lake, as the stretch of water between Elk and Beaver lakes is no more free from vegetable matter than Beaver lake proper.

The cost of a dam at the south side of Elk lake, and the construction and laying of a main to bring water from Elk lake to filter beds while Beaver lake is being cleaned (after which there would be no further use for the dam or the main), can only be determined by survey and boring.

The length of the dam would be about 1,300 feet, the depth of the water being about nine feet. The length of main would be about 7,500 feet, and it would necessarily have to be laid below the level of the water surface of the lake, as existing at present, and in the carrying out of which seepage water from the lake would have to be encountered, which would add greatly to the expense of the work.

The area to be cleaned out between Elk lake and the dam at Beaver lake would be about 180 acres, which at say $100 per acre would be $18,000.

3. Building a dam that would raise and increase the supply of water to its reasonable highest capacity. The information necessary for a reliable estimate can only be obtained by survey. According to Mr. Bulkley's report, raising the height of the water ten feet would increase the area of the lake 177 acres. Assuming the same ratio to hold good, viz., 17.7 acres increase of area to each foot in height, raising the lake four feet above its present level would increase the storage capacity of the lake by about 700,000,000 gallons.

In some years there would be more than sufficient water to fill the lake to overflowing (such would have been the case last season) but according to information received from the caretaker at the dam for two years in succession, viz., 1888 and 1889, the water did not reach the top of the dam, by 12 inches in the former and 10 inches in the latter year, and the dam at that time was 18 inches lower than it is at present.

Basing the calculation on the above data (viz: ratio of area to foot rise) if the dam were raised four feet the capacity of the lake to eight feet in depth would be approximately 1,323,000,000 gallons, or about equal to one year's supply for the city, including waste and evaporation.

4. Filterbeds—Present area of filterbeds is as follows: One 57 ft. x40 ft., 2,280 sq. ft.; one 70.6 ft.x40 ft., 2,820 sq. ft.; one 130 ft.x50 ft., 6,500 sq. ft.; total area, 11,600 sq. ft. According to the experience of the highest authorities in waterworks engineering, about 14,000 sq. ft. of filtering surface is required for each million imperial gallons to be filtered per 24 hours. In order to make provision for the increased demand that will be made on the water supply when the system of sewerage is extended, and allowing for an increased consumption due to the growth of the city, the area of the filter beds should not be designed of a less capacity than about 2,500,000 gallons per day, which would be an increase over our present consumption of about 66 per cent. and would require an area of filtering surface, according to the data above referred to, of 35,000 sq. ft., from which deduct the area of the present filter beds, viz., 11,600 sq. ft., leaving the area of filter beds to be constructed 23,400 sq. ft., or two filter beds of 80x146 ft. 3 in. each. The quantity of broken stone required two feet deep would be (2x 23,400).

1733 cubic yards, at $2.50	$ 4,333
Gravel and sand, 35ft. deep 30 33 at $1.50	4,550
Masonry wall, 782 ft. x4x12, 1300 @12	16,680
Main drain in bed, 300 ft. at $4	1,200
Lateral drains, 5,200 ft. at 25 cents	1,300
Puddle bed (23400x1 ft.) 875 yards at $1	875
	$28,983
In order to put the present filter beds in proper condition add	1,062
Total	$30,000

Cost of filter plant from N. Y. Filter Co., of capacity to filter 2,000,000 gallons per day, which would be sufficient for some time to come (an additional filter could be added when greater filtering capacity should be required), would be about $26,000, made up as follows:

Cost of plant f. o. b. at works	$17,500
Freight 700,000 lbs. at $1.35 per 100	1,215
Duty, 30 p. c. on $17,500	5,250
Travelling expenses and salary of agent to superintend setting up the work say	600
Contigencies, say	1,435
Total	$26,000

5. Hydraulic ram—Hydraulic rams or engines are employed for raising a small portion of the flow of water to a greater height than its head. The fall to the engine determines the relative proportion between the water raised and wasted, the quantity raised varying according to the height it is to be carried and the distance conveyed. The Rife hydraulic engine is considered one of the most efficient of the kind in use. The rule governing the capacity of its delivery is approximately that with a discharge pipe 1000 feet in length one-sixth of the water can be raised and discharged at an elevation five times the height of the fall.

On account of the extension of the distribution system a considerable area of the city that was formerly supplied with water by pumping is now supplied by gravity, and the area supplied by pumping is confined almost entirely to that embraced within the limits of the higher levels, with the result that at the highest residential premises where formerly it was with difficulty that water was supplied at all with the pump working up to its full capacity, the same premises are now supplied with water at a pressure of 75 pounds per square inch, while the pump is working at only about one-third its capacity.

As the revenue derived from the custom on the level supplied by the pump is about 60 per cent. greater than the cost of the maintenance and running expenses connected therewith, the substitution of the present arrangement by a water tower, with hydraulic ram and separate pipes to supply the higher levels, would entail a large additional expense, give a less efficient service and necessitate the waste of a large quantity of water, which would, to the extent of the quantity wasted, neutralize the benefit derived from an increase of the storage capacity of the lake.

In order to improve the quality of the water and increase the efficiency of the waterworks system, the undersigned would respectfully suggest:

1st. The establishment of a filter plant, at an estimated cost of say $26,000.

2nd. The extension of the 24-inch main to the lake, estimated cost, $121,000.

3rd. Increasing the storage capacity of the lake by raising the height of the dam say three or four feet, cost of which, together with the cost of cleaning and purchasing land submerged, to be estimated after survey has been made to ascertain the area of land required.

Attached hereto is a plan showing Elk and Beaver lakes.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.

The report was ordered given the press for publication that every alderman might have a chance to peruse it. After this resolution was carried a few comments on the report were made.

Ald. Robertson understood that $250,000 would be sufficient. In the dry season the water was scarce. If the lake were enlarged in the wet season enough could be collected to supply the city during the dry season.

Ald. Belyea—What kind of water?

Ald. Robertson replied that the water of Elk lake was just as good as the Goldstream water.

Ald. Belyea said something about four-footed rodents.

Ald. Bragg moved for full returns re the surface drainage. He said his object was to give the board and the public an idea of how matters stood.

Ald. Styles asked if the annual reports did not contain this information.

Mayor Beaven replied the reports would not give the streets and the size of the drains.

Ald. Belyea said the information asked for would come to the public in a very short time. It was rather late to introduce this motion. There was no objection against the resolution, but its untimely introduction.

Ald. Bragg—The engineer was consulted and had the data ready to lay before the council at its next meeting. He would like to get an idea how much the two systems of sewerage were relatively costing the city. It was very necessary the public should know. Ald. Styles would look a long time in the annual reports before he found the information desired.

The resolution carried.

Ald. Styles called the attention of the council to a matter that was large in one particular and small in another—

Ald. Harris—Chickens? (Laughter.)

Ald. Styles continued. No notice had been taken of the work done by the two resident engineers in the report to the council on the question of the draining of sewerage into surface drains. He would like to see a vote of thanks passed under the seal of the council.

Ald. Robertson remarked that the advice given was good and sound, and a resolution of thanks was justly due.

Ald. Styles wanted the report spread on the minutes.

Mayor Beaven said the report was in the archives.

A resolution of thanks was ordered passed.

Ald. Styles had a bill for a number of chickens drowned in a freshet a few days ago. (Laughter.) Two members of the finance committee were in favor of paying the sum asked ($14) and one member objected.

Ald. Belyea complained of a rotten drain opposite his house. There were rats there, and the rats came up the drain to his chicken coop and destroyed some of his poultry. He would also demand payment for his chickens if this account were allowed.

Ald. Bragg thought the subject should be referred to the sidewalk committee.

Ald. Harris—Ald. Robertson has just said to me that they ought to have kept ducks.

Ald. Munn—The committee seem chicken-hearted.

Ald. Belyea said there were many good people in Victoria who would claim damages if a cyclone or other storm destroyed their poultry.

Ald. Henderson—It is a dear price for chickens. Fourteen chickens for $14. I can buy them at $6 a dozen.

Council adjourned at 5.

American Money.

New York, Dec. 29.—The transactions at the stock exchange outside of the bond department show a further decrease today, the sales footing up to 195,503 shares, against 249,500 shares yesterday. The "shorts" were more inclined to even up their trade in view of the coming holidays, and this, with some purchases for the "long" account, imparted a distinctly better tone to the market. At the opening Louisville & Nashville and General Electric were higher, while the general list was weak under the leadership of Atchison, Manhattan and St. Paul, which declined 1-2 to 1 1-2 per cent. Atchison was depressed on the filing of an application for a receiver, in which it is admitted that the company has been dangerously near insolvency for a year past and that its debt is nearly $6,000,000. The criticisms of the English press regarding the statement put out from time to time by the insiders was not relished by the holders here, who look for foreign assistance if the company is to be reorganized at an early date. Manhattan fell 1 1-2 to 120 1-2 on stories that the legislature could reduce the fare to three cents. When the sellers got through the stock quickly rose to 122 1-4. The general market after the opening displayed more strength than for some days past. All the leading issues commanded a fair-sized premium for use, and this in itself was sufficient to cause the smaller bears to run to cover. Under this pressure an advance of 1-4 per cent. was established.

Bradstreet's to-day says: The exports of wheat and flour as wheat from both coasts of the United States and Canada amount to 27,000,000 bushels this week, a total of one quarter less than the week before, and one-third smaller than the closing week a year ago and two years ago. General trade throughout the Dominion is at the customary low ebb and not many travellers are on the road. Christmas business has been disappointing, except in New Brunswick, where it has been the largest on record. The anticipated tariff changes at Ottawa tend to depress business. There were 1781 business failures reported from the Dominion and Newfoundland in 1893, compared with 1682 in 1892, with liabilities amounting to $15,690,000, about five per cent. more than in the year before, with assets of $7,388,000, a proportionate increase compared with the year before. Noteworthy increases in the number of failures are found in the far Northwest, but there has been a decrease in Nova Scotia. The bank clearings at Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax amounted to $15,359,000 last week, 13 per cent. less than in the week before and 5 per cent. less than in the same week a year ago.

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General Dispatches.

London, Dec. 28.—The Indian mails announce the death of Miss Tucker, who has for the last 18 years been engaged in missionary work in India. She was known all over the world as a writer of stories for the young, over the signature "A.L.O.E." (A Lady of England.)

London, Dec. 28.—Broker Phillips, a dealer in American securities, has failed. He was long 2000 shares Louisville & Nashville and 3500 Atchison, and short £54,000 Brighton stock. His failure brought down Grant, a dealer in Brighton.

London, Dec. 28.—With regard to the reported seizure of the Gilbert Islands by the British, the colonial office says the whole group was formally annexed by Great Britain in June, 1892, and have been Great Britain's possession ever since.

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 29.—Grand Master Sargent and Grand Secretary Arnold, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, were today served with a sweeping restraining order of the United States court in regard to the Northern Pacific. The order restrains the grand officers from ordering, advising or encouraging a strike, or even communicating with the men of that system by any method. Mr. Sargent declares, however, that the order will not affect him in the least. He says: "I will not allow such an order to interfere with my duties. Should I be called to St. Paul to-morrow I would go. The men have as yet received no definite answer from the receivers. If the answer is not satisfactory, the matter will be appealed to the courts. If the receivers are sanctioned by the court, the men will then be allowed to use their own judgment about continuing in the service of the company. No law on earth will compel a man to work in the absence of a contract unless he is a vagrant."

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—A meeting in the chamber of commerce was held this afternoon for the purpose of providing means of relief for the unemployed of this city. It was attended by representatives of the chamber and other commercial bodies and by the Bar Association, Manufacturers' Association, and other organizations that had been invited to take part. Chief Justice Butty, ex-Mayor Pond, Chief of Police Crowley, members of the clergy and many other prominent citizens were also present. There were subscribed $14,500, the largest subscription being that of Claus Spreckels, $6000. Many of those present announced their intention of going ahead in the work of obtaining additions to the funds.

The city firemen of Honolulu are mostly halfbreeds, and they recently conspired to gain power. When paid off last month they went on strike. Their plan was to join the Queen's party and help her to be again placed in power. As soon as this was effected they were to apply for various offices under the government by formal demand upon the Queen, while as firemen only natives were to be employed. Failure to restore the Queen foiled their plans.

Mrs. William Lohr

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DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
Solicitors for the Executors, Rosa Bossi and Carlo Bossi.

Dated the 29th day of November, 1893.
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Notice of Assignment.

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J. W. McFARLAND,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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The Municipal Electors are requested to meet at the Council Chamber in the City Hall on Wednesday, the 3rd day of January, 1894, at 8 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of discussing civic affairs.

ROBERT BEAVEN.

Medical Examinations

The next Examination of the British Columbia Medical Council will take place in the City of Victoria, on

Tuesday, 9th day of January Next

Full particulars by applying to

G. L. MILNE,
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THE CLOSING YEAR.

Link on to link, an ever-growing chain.
Of days, months, years, are added to the past;
Aye-coiling back into Time's locker reast,
The whilst our mental crew, stugeth in pensive strain
—Link on to link.

Link after link, forged and firm welded on;
Spreading far back in mem'ries cable tier;
The circumstantial chain rusted with many a tear,
Life-long remains, and so the work goes on—
Link after link.

Link on to link, the work never tires,
His Furnace gloweth ever, and one ceaseless din,
Afar and near resoundeth, and within
Our inmost chamber waketh sad desires,
Link after link.

Link after link ringeth the hammer on,
Proving the work, which erst his hand had done,
The worker, pausing not, counteth, aye one by one
Each separate part joined in one cable strong—
Link on to link.

—J. J. Barber, Victoria, Dec. 30, 1893.

Watts—Doctor, do you believe that the use of tobacco tends to shorten a man's days? Dr. Bowles—I know it does. I tried to quit once, and the days were about eighty-eight hours long.

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The Vicar—Dear, dear Mrs. Prickles, I regret to hear that Mrs. Brown has treated you so shamefully. I should counsel you to heap coals of fire on her head ——. Mrs. P.—Ah, sir, that's wot I should do as soon as look at her; but I can't afford it at one and ninepence a 'undred-weight.

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The Old Year Out and The New Year In.

It was a cold, blustering morning on the last day of the year, eighteen hundred and one, when Jack Waters stepped on shore at his native town Rochesbilthe. He had arrived in London a few days before, but had been detained by necessary affairs, which required his daily attendance at the navy office. Six years before he had sailed as a volunteer from Spithead, on board a man-of-war brig, bound for the West Indies. War was raging at that time between Great Britain and France, and within six months of his departure his ship had been successful in capturing a large privateer and recapturing two rich merchantmen, her prizes. After taking their prizes safely into the nearest port and being refitted, the brig sailed, with despatches for the commodore, and nearly reached the station where they expected to meet him when they encountered a squadron. Private signals were shown and answered, but no sooner had they approached within a couple of miles than the captain's suspicions were aroused by an inaccuracy in the signal shown. The course was immediately altered and all sail set. No sooner was this seen than the French flag was shown by the nearest ship, a frigate, which, in answer to signals, was evidently ordered to chase the brig. Every effort was made to escape, and for some hours hopes were entertained of success, when a sail was seen ahead, and before long it became evident by her maneuvres that she also belonged to the French squadron. The last sighted vessel was a large schooner. The brig was cleared for action, and as the schooner was rapidly nearing them the captain ordered a shot to be sent across her bows. No sooner had the gun been fired than the tricolor was run up to her peak as she rounded to and fired a broadside at the brig, no serious damage resulting. She stood on silently towards the schooner, which had kept away and was firing an occasional gun. The distance was by that time much lessened, and the shots began to tell; some of the rigging was cut up and several men wounded by splinters. At last when within half a mile the captain addressed the crew in a few words: "Now, my lads, if we don't manage to disable that schooner we shall soon be overtaken by the frigate. There is but one chance; when I give the word let each gun be fired into her bows. Now, master, down with the helm! Fire!" And the whole broadside of nine guns was poured into the schooner's bows before they were aware of their purpose, and when the smoke cleared off a little her foremast was seen to be gone. A second broadside added to the schooner's ill-plight, and had it not been for the nearing proximity of the frigate the schooner would have been taken. But they had no time to lose, for already the frigate's bow chasers were sending shots nearer and nearer, for the brig had several shots through the sails, which lessened her speed. Two guns were run out aft, ports being cut in the bulwarks, and the best marksmen were placed at them, in the hope of knocking away a spar on board the frigate. But presently, as the wind freshened, the main topmast, which had been wounded by the schooner's shot, fell, and before the wreck could be cleared the frigate rounded to and sent a broadside into the brig, killing the captain and gunner and several men and wounding many others. A few minutes later the frigate, which had continued firing into the now disabled brig, ran alongside, and as they were about to board the surviving officer, seeing the uselessness of further resistance, struck the colors. The prisoners were taken out and the frigate rejoined the squadron, leaving her prize to follow. In a few weeks Jack Waters and his shipmates found themselves in a French prison, and there they had remained until within a short time before the commencement of our story, when he and three others succeeded in escaping from the fortress in which they were imprisoned, and after many vicissitudes they reached the sea shore, where, taking possession of a fishing boat one night, they were before long seen and taken on board by a British cruiser. Soon after they were landed at Spithead, and there Jack was fortunate enough to meet with an officer, whom he recognized as having been lieutenant of the brig. Upon making himself known this gentleman, who now held an appointment in the naval yard, very kindly gave Peters the means of procuring clothes and taking him to London, also supplying him with a letter to the naval authorities. And, in short, Jack had reached London by means of the Portsmouth coach, and, thanks to the officer's letter, had obtained his arrears of pay and prize money, and was now on his way home.

It was with much emotion that Jack bent his steps homeward, and when he came in sight of the modest dwelling where he had left all he loved so many years before, all kinds of fears came crowding into his mind. Were they still living? And if God had spared them to welcome their long lost son, how would his mother bear the joy of seeing him again? None of them would recognize him, he was so much altered by his long imprisonment. Would it not be best to pretend that he was a shipmate who had escaped and brought news of their son? Yes, that's what he would do; and pleased with the idea he knocked at the door.

"Is Mr. or Mrs. Waters at home?" he enquired of a young woman who answered the knock.

"They don't live here, sir," she replied.

"Not live here!" exclaimed Jack in dismay; "why, surely this is the house?" and starting back a few steps into the road he gazed up at the familiar features of the house, which he recognized only too well.

"Can you not tell me anything of a family of that name? They certainly did live here six years ago."

"No, sir, I have not been living here long, but if you go to that corner shop you will be sure to find where they have moved to, for old Mrs. Parks has kept it for many years, I believe."

Thanking the young woman he hastened to the little chandler's shop, pointed out to him, which he indeed remembered well enough. Sad was the news that the old dame told him. Nearly four years since old Mr. Waters was drowned one winter's night, supposed to have fallen off a barge he was in charge of. The widow had struggled on for a while to keep herself and children, the eldest of whom, a boy, was only 14 at the time of his father's death, the others being two delicate girls. It was now more than three years since Widow Waters left this place. But where they went to nobody about here knew.

"Had she never heard of there being a grown-up son, a sailor?"

"Oh, yes, sir! But he was killed before the father died, and a sore trial it was for the family."

Finding this old neighbor totally ignorant of his being the long missing sailor, Jack [illegible] not heart enough to disclose himself, [illegible] bidding her good-bye, he turned away from the door, his heart filled with grief and dismay. Whilst mechanically gazing around as he passed along the street, his heart suddenly bounded at the sight of a well-remembered face. It was a round, rosy-cheeked, blackeyed one, surmounted by a low, flat-crowned, tarpaulin hat, and supported by a short, thick neck and stout body, the lower limbs of which were attired in corduroy knee breeches and blue ribbed stockings, whilst across his shoulders he bore a yoke, whence hung two milk cans. In short, it was the welcome form, face, and appendages of old Sam Styles, the milkman, apparently as little changed as though no years had passed since last he saw him. Waters soon made himself known, and delighted indeed was old Sam Styles to see, as he termed it, the dead alive. In a few words the story of his long captivity was told, and in return he heard for the second time the sad history of the breaking up of the home he had left so cheerful and full of plenty. Old Styles gave him some few particulars respecting the widow's circumstances which the chandler had not known. She had endeavored to make a living by dressmaking, and for a little while managed fairly well, but by and by she was seized with a severe illness, which lasted so long that all her little store of savings had become exhausted, and when she regained her health the connection was lost and but little work could be had. Tom, his brother, had been a good lad, and worked hard whenever he could get a job on the river or about the building yards. But what little he earned went but a small way in these dear times, and he feared they were often hard put to it. At last he believed that Tom got a promise of regular employment at Deptford, and so they moved away. How long ago? Well, it would be a matter of about three years or more.

"Could he give any evidence as to the part of Deptford they lived in or as to whether his poor mother was alive and well?"

"Oh, I haven't any doubt of her being well, the old man responded, with sanguine cheerfulness. "And Tom must be a strapping man now, and the girls well grown and able to help. No, he didn't exactly remember the street. However, it was not far from the river, he had no doubt, and there would be lots of people about that could tell him. With this somewhat vague information, yet encouraged withal at the hopes of soon finding those he sought, Jack Waters took hands with the good-tempered old milkman, promising to see him again before long, and with hasty steps proceeded on his search. By the time he reached the dock and victualling yards the shades of evening had gathered apace, and despite his haste all the shipyards had closed ere he could fulfil his intention of making inquiries at the gates for a young workman named Waters. All that he could do was to make inquiries of such working men as he met. This he did until he was well nigh worn out with fatigue. He found more than one Waters, but not one answering the description of his brother. After some hours spent in making fruitless inquiries he resolved to take a bed somewhere and then renew his search on the morrow. He was close to an old-fashioned inn, which stood at the end of and looking up a street near the old Church of St. Nicholas. Some benches and a horse trough in front gave it somewhat of a countrified appearance, whilst the warm glow of the red-curtained windows was thrown in ruddy patches on the snow-covered ground. On entering the house he learned that if he wished to stop for the night he would have to make the best of a settle or bench in the tap-room, the house having no beds to let. Too wearied, however, to seek futher at that late hour, he ordered some supper and beer, and having partaken thereof, flung himself down on a settle in the corner by the fire, gazing dreamily into which he pictured a joyous scene, wherein his mother's loving but careworn face, would, in smiling welcome, repay him for the weary past. Whilst thus engaged, and almost falling off to sleep, undisturbed by the voices of several men who were smoking and drinking at the different tables, a merry burst of melody from the old church bells caused him to spring up, thoroughly awakened to that which he had almost forgotten, namely, that it was Old New Year's night. The wind had dropped since morning and a sharp frost had set in, so that when Jack went to the inn door to listen to the cheerful, home-like sounds, sounds to which he had long been a stranger, the fineness of the night tempted him to step across to the churchyard, the gates of which were open for the use of the singers. Passing the gates, he stood for some time gazing up at the ancient tower, and as he listened to the bells he almost imagined they said or sung:

Welcome, Jack Waters,
Welcome, Jack Waters;
All hands are well,
All hands are well.

But as he listened the pot-boy from the inn came past him with a large jar of beer and some tankards.

"Where away, lad?" inquired Jack.

"For the ringers, master. We allus gives 'em beer when they ring the old year out and the new one in. Will you have a look at 'em?" added he, and on Jack's assenting they turned aside to a low arched door which gave access to the tower, and in another minute he was an interested spectator within the belfry tower. Eight men were ringing, six old and apparently experienced ringers, while the other two were evidently new at the art, as every now and then one or other of the elders would give a word of guidance to them. The tankards went round again and again, and Jack, at the invitation of the youngest ringer, a pleasant-looking, smart young fellow, drank to the New Year with them. But they paused not in their work, so that few words could be spoken, and the noise was so great as to render less than a moderate shout inaudible. Presently the leading ringer, pulling out his watch, bade them stop ringing, and now, while they waited the word to re-commence, Jack bethought him of asking if anyone among them knew those whom he was seeking for.

"A family of the name of Waters?" answered the young man who had handed him the beer. "I should think I ought, and if you would like to see a specimen of them, perhaps I'll do."

"What?" cried out Jack excitedly, the recollection of a round-faced boy flashing across his mind, as he gazed on the ringer's laughing face. "Do you mean that your name is Waters?"

"Yes, mate; Tom Waters, at your service."

As he spoke the signal to resume ringing was given, and although poor Jack's heart was full almost to bursting at the thought that he beheld his brother, yet he was compelled to wait until the ringers, with renewed vigor, had rung out the old year and welcomed in the new, and then when a merry change was rung, and the ringers were wiping their brows, whilst the old tower, massively built though it was, still vibrated, as if pulsating to the joyous music, there was hand shaking one with another, as they wished each other and their sailor visitor a happy new year. And then only could Jack with a faltering voice inquire of Tom whether his mother and sisters were well.

"Yes, mate; they're well and hearty; but who may you be?" And here a sudden thought struck him. "You've been a shipmate of my poor brother Jack's years ago," he said. "Is it so? Poor fellow, we never heard any particulars of his death, and mother has asked every man-o'-war's-man she came across about her poor boy, as she calls him."

Jack could stand it no longer, but throwing his hat on the belfry floor and his arms around Tom's neck, he cried, "Don't you know me, Tom? I'm your brother Jack!"

The scene in the old tower during that early new year's morn was remembered for many a year by the ringers. The brothers wept tears of joy and the others blubbered and shook each other's hands again and again. And then the whole town must have been not a little startled, for they sprang simultaneously to the ropes and sent forth fresh sounds of glad tidings from the old church tower. We will not accompany the brothers home; let us draw a veil over that meeting. Yes, 'tis better to, for each loving heart and mind can then picture to itself that inexpressibly happy New Year's meeting. All were indeed well, and no ill results followed the surprise. Jack Waters did not go to sea again, for out of consideration for his long imprisonment he got a good berth in the royal dockyard, and when a few years later he married, and in due course had children, a favorite though oft-told story was that of one particular night when Uncle Tom first helped to ring the old year out and the new year in.

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NO. 217.

A BY-LAW

A By-Law to change the name of a portion of the Saanich Road and to authorize the names of streets situate within the limits of the City of Victoria to be affixed at the corners of the said streets upon either public or private property.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:—

1. That the name of that portion of the street now called or known as the Saanich Road, situate within the limits of the City of Victoria which lies between Pembroke street and Tolmie Avenue, being a continuation of the street known as Douglas street, be and the same is hereby changed to that of Douglas street, and the said portion of Saanich Road which lies between Pembroke street and Tolmie Avenue shall hereafter be called and known as Douglas street.

2. It shall be lawful for the Corporation under the direction of the City Engineer to affix at the corners of any street within the City of Victoria, and either on public or private property boards or other signs with the names of such streets respectively appearing thereon.

3. This by-law may be cited as "The Street Sign By-Law."

Passed the Municipal Council on the 20th day of December, 1893.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council the 26th day of December, 1893.

(L.S.) ROBERT BEAVEN, Mayor

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C.M.C.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria on the 20th day of December, A.D. 1893, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law, or any section thereof quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

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NO. 216.

A BY-LAW

Respecting the Municipal Elections for the City of Victoria for the year 1894.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:—

1. The nomination of candidates for the respective offices of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Victoria shall take place at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1894, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p.m.

2. In case more than one candidate for Mayor is nominated the vote of the electors for candidates for the said office shall be taken by ballot in the Court room at the City Hall aforesaid, on Thursday, the 11th day of January, 1894, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

3. In case there are more candidates nominated for the office of Aldermen in any Ward than there are vacancies to fill up, the vote of the electors for the candidates for said office shall be taken by ballot on the 11th day of January, 1894, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., at the respective places following, that is to say:—

For the North Ward, in room numbered 5 and 6, at the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For the Central Ward, at Barnes' Block, Bastion Square.

For the South Ward, at No. 27 Government street (east side).

4. The provision of the "Election By-Law," passed 3rd March, 1888, and the schedules thereto, and the "Election Amendment By-Law, 1892," so far as applicable and not inconsistent with this by-law and the Municipal Acts, shall be read with and form part of this by-law.

5. William King Bull, is hereby appointed the Returning Officer at the said elections.

6. The "Municipal Election By-Law, 1893," is hereby repealed.

7. This by-law may be cited as the "Municipal Election By-Law, 1894."

Passed the Municipal Council the 11th day of December, A.D. 1893.

Reconsideded, adopted and finally passed by the Council of the City of Victoria the 18th day of December, A.D. 1893.

ROBERT BEAVEN, Mayor.
(L. S.)
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria on the 18th day of December, A.D. 1893, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that any one desirous of applying to have such by-law, or any section thereof, quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

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By order,

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C.M.C.

City Hall, Victoria B. C., Dec. 27, 1893.

THE MAYORALTY.

To the Electors of Victoria:

I beg to intimate that I am a candidate for re-election as Mayor, and respectfully solicit your support.

ROBERT BEAVEN.

28th November, 1893.

MAYORALTY.

To the Voters of the City of Victoria:

Ladies and Gentlemen:—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for the office of mayor for the ensuing year, and most respectfully solicit your votes and interest.

I have the honor to be, your obedient servant,

JOHN TEAGUE.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 27th, 1893. n27-tf

"Land Registry Act."

Sections 1 and 2, Quatsino District.

A certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above property, will be issued to Andrew B. Forbes on the 24th March, 1894, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or some part thereof.

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Land Registry Office, Victoria, 19th December, 1893. d21-3m

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ANCIENT ORDER FORESTERS. Court Vancouver No. 6935, A.O.F., meets 1st and 3rd Mondays in each month in Foresters' Hall, Government street. Visiting brothers are invited. SIDNEY WILSON, Sec. fo13

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The Daily Times.

PROTECTION AND WAGES.

One calling himself "A Simple Citizen" has written an open letter to Senator Squire deriding the idea that free coal and lumber means the lowering of wages and disaster to industries in Washington State. The writer tells the Senator to look at the Puget Sound yearly shipping list for information on the lumber question. "It informs us," he says, "that a large number of vessels load lumber from this state and carry it to English ports, likewise to ports in South America, both of which are open to British Columbia lumber." And the letter further says: "You can find this information in the yearly shipping lists for years back, giving clear proof of the fact that American sawmills can and do compete with the British Columbia sawmills in English markets. This should lead any intelligent man to perceive that if our sawmill men can do that in English ports, where our protective tariff does not protect them at all, they can surely hold their own in our own state and country without any tariff, but the howl that goes up presently from our great sawmill men, who are all Republicans, is set up it seems more for party purposes and to enable the lumbermen to keep up the stiff home prices which they charge to our people under the beautiful protection of a high tariff." This is no doubt an accurate though severe commentary on the cry of the Washington State protectionists. The succeeding part of the letter deals with coal and with the contention that protection tends to keep up wages generally. The figures quoted and the facts cited are so instructive that we quote this portion of the letter:

As to coal, I am sorry not to be able to give you statistics from your own home paper, but I can tell you a few facts about the workmen in the Washington and British Columbia mines. There was a time, some six or seven years ago, when, through the hard struggles made by our miners for their rights, the mines in this county (not in Pierce county, though) paid fair wages, and a limited number of men came over from British Columbia to work here.

But things have changed very materially since then. The mining companies have left nothing undone to break up miners' unions, to introduce the cheapest kind of colored workmen, to boycott white men who were connected with unions, and to reduce the prices to about one-half (or even less) of what they were before. Those white miners who possibly could have left this state, and many of them were glad to find work in British Columbia mines, where miners are paid better prices than here, work shorter hours, are not subject to the infamous truck-system, and are not forced to work and live on the same level with a class of colored workmen, very many of whom are yet in the first stages of civilization.

From these few statements you can learn that all talk about the ruinous cheap competition of British Columbia miners with ours is "bosh." The tariff, high or low, does not affect the wages of the miners a bit. They are ground down in this country to the dust, poverty and want, no matter how much the earnings of the company are. There is not a company or employer in the United States who says: "I will pay my men better wages because I get high prices through tariff protection." The fact is, that the employers manufacture as cheap as they can through machine-work, girls and children-work, imported Hungarians, Russians, Italians and other cheaper kind of labor, and charge the consumers as high prices as they can under the protection of the high tariff. That is all the protection there is about the tariff; all talk about helping the workmen is the worst kind of hypocrisy.

You are supposed to be a statesman, being an ex-governor, and United States Senator, and the writer is only a simple citizen, but with all your statesmanship you cannot show me a protected business where the workmen receive higher wages than for the same class of work is paid in an unprotected business. But I can cite you business after business from the statistics where in high protected industries the wages are exceedingly low.

In the protected coal industry of the United States in 1890 the average wages of all persons employed in the mines, foremen included, was $364, or one whole dollar per day, Sunday and week day, with which a workman is to feed, clothe, shelter, educate and keep in good health and working order himself and family.

In the protected lumber business in 1890 in the three main lumber states, Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, the wages were $292, $284 and $288 per year. (For our state the statistics are not yet published.)

In the high protected wool goods manufacture the last obtainable statistics give the average yearly wages at $290.

In the high protected worsted goods manufacture the last obtainable statistics give the average yearly wages at $302.

In the high protected men's clothing business the wages were $286 a year.

In the high protected iron and steel business the wages were $393 per annum (exceptionally high.)

In the high protected cotton goods manufacture the wages were $246 a year.

And in the high protected knit goods and hosiery manufacture the wages were $232 a year.

The writer's remarks can be profitably studied by those have entertained the mistaken impression that high duties secure high wages for workingmen. The manufacturers are not philanthropists and will not divide up their tariff benefits with their employees so long as they have large supplies of cheap labor to draw upon. The coal miners of Washington found that the mine-owners were ready to supplant them with cheaper men, an experience that has been repeated in many other lines of industry.

DOMINION PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

The public accounts for the fiscal year ending on the 30th June last, have been issued at Ottawa, and the showing made is not quite so comfortable as it might be. The total revenue for the year was $38,168,608. The expenditure charged to income was $36,814,052, and the expenditure charged to capital, $3,890,800, making a total of $40,704,852. Excess of total expenditure over revenue, $2,536,244. Of the capital expenditure, $2,782,490 was expended on government railways and canals, $181,877 upon harbors, graving docks, etc., $115,038 on Dominion lands and $811,304 paid out to subsidize railway companies. Compared with those of the preceding year, the accounts for 1893 show an increase of over $500,000 in the net debt, and an increase of $5,000,000 in the gross debt of the Dominion during the year. The outlay for interest on the public debt, management of sinking fund, etc., reached $12,116,293, an increase of $140,863 over the amount paid in 1892. The interest on debt payable in London last year reached $7,700,000. The additions to the debt and to the interest, cost of management, etc., are substantial. As usual, a surplus of revenue over expenditure is made to appear, but it is the old story of charging expenditure to "capital account."

The Fire Record.

The fire record for the past year shows the total number of fires to have been 52, and the estimated loss $18,906. This loss is divided up according to the different months of the year, as follows:

January, 8 fires	$ 800
February, 1 fire	25
March, 5 fires	9,650
April, 8 fires	1,726
May, 3 fires	2,030
June, 2 fires	1,650
July, 5 fires	1,400
August, 13 fires	305
September, 5 fires	200
October, 5 fires	500
November, 3 fires	25
December, 4 fires	595
Total 52 fires	$18,906

Value of property at risk, $307,800; number of fires extending beyond buildings in which fires originated, 1; loss to adjoining property, $230; fire loss during 1892, $52,187; decrease, $33,181. In 1892 there were 93 fires, as compared with 52 this year; decrease, 41. There are 4,000 wooden buildings in the city and 640 brick and stone structures, the estimated value of which is over $7,000,000, not inclusive of stock. During the past seven years the average annual fire loss has been, in round numbers, $22,000, or less than $1 per capita of the population. The per capita loss by fire in the United States and Canada is placed, by the leading fire and insurance journals, at $2.30. The highest loss was in March, the month in which there were two incendiary fires.

Two Wishes.

First we wish you a happy and prosperous new year. Second, we wish you would try some of our English blends. They are much superior to the English Breakfast you have been drinking, viz: Congou. Victoria Tea House, Government street, opposite the postoffice.

Highest Award.

The Bush & Gerts piano received the highest award at the World's Fair. Cuts of the prize winner can be seen at the agent's, T. W. Fletcher, 47 Fort street. Buy the best.

STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

Exports From Victoria Increase by Over Two Million Dollars.

BUILDINGS THAT HAVE BEEN ERECTED

Police and Fire Returns as Made Out by Those Departments—Inland Revenue Collections Increased by Thirty Thousand Dollars.

All the statistics for the year 1893, which were obtained to-day, show a healthy revenue in the various public institutions, in spite of the much-talked-of hard times. The imports entered at the Victoria custom house are slightly less than they were for 1892 and the receipts at that place are therefore less. The decrease under the heading "other revenue" is accounted for by the fact that fewer Chinamen have arrived during the year. The export of goods, the produce of Canada, is far ahead of any previous years, the increase being more than two million dollars. The big salmon pack, sealing catch, and exports to the Orient and Australia account for this. The building trade has not been as brisk as in former years.

During the year the following buildings were erected, and which were valued at the sums placed opposite to them:

T. & R. Alexander, one story house, with Kitchen, Pembroke street	$ 800
Archdeacon of Columbia, brick one story and addition in rear, Fort street	2,500
Allsop & Mason, additions to brick building in rear three story building on Government street	1,000
Angela college, new frame school on Burdette avenue	1,500
J. J. Austin, two story frame dwelling, Cadboro bay road, stone foundation, situate Regent's Park	3,000
Frank Borden, Oak Bay avenue, one story frame building	1,200
I. Barry, Blanchard and Roe streets, two new two-story houses, frame, brick foundation	3,000
Battery street, James Bay, one-story cottage	1,500
Eli Beam, two-story house on Catherine street	3,000
Thos. Bryden, two two-story frame buildings on Hillside avenue	4,000
Mrs. T. Booth, two one-story houses, John street, Work estate	2,500
Mr. Bridgman, one two-story and one one-story frame buildings, Esquimalt road	4,000
J. & J. Baker, two-story brick building, Frederick street	2,500
Mrs. T. Booth, alteration to dwelling, Quadra street	500
Geo. Bromley, one and one-half story house, Francis avenue	1,000
W. J. Carlyon, Henry street, one and one-half story frame building	1,000
S. Coones, Johnson street, two-story frame building, brick foundation	2,000
Wm. H. Cox, Adelaide street, one-story frame building	800
H. Cooley, two two-story frame dwellings, Menzies street	4,000
Hedley Chapman, two-story house, Dallas road	7,000
John Calhoun, one-story cottage, Francis avenue	600
J. Dewsnap, 1 1-2 story house, Chatham street, frame building	900
Emerys property, Fernwood estate, two new one-story houses	1,000
R. Elford, two-story frame building with brick foundation, Cadboro Bay road	3,000
Mrs. Eckersley, two-story frame building, stone foundation	3,000
T. Earl, Hillside extension, two-story frame stable	1,500
Mrs. D. Ferguson, Francis avenue, 1 1-2 story frame house	1,200
A. C. Flumerfelt, three-story brick building, lot 5, block 73, Fort property	9,000
H. T. Fairall, one-story hall, brick and stone foundation, Esquimalt road	2,000
Mr. Fort, 1 1-2 story house, Esquimalt road, brick foundation	2,000
Government (provincial) foundations of new buildings	70,000
R. Griffiths, one-story frame cottage, north Pembroke street	1,000
Capt. W. Grant, two one-story frame cottages, Frederick street	1,600
Green street, two-story house	1,600
Ada Harris, two two-story houses, frame, Oak Bay road	2,000
Mr. Heard, two-story frame house, Johnson street	1,400
E. H. Henley, one-story frame building, Adelaide street	800
T. A. Henderson, two-story house, Belcher street, brick foundation	3,500
Joseph Henry, two-story house, Superior street	1,500
T. Haughton, two-story store and dwelling, Chatham street	1,500
R. H. Hall, additions to dwelling, Rock Bay avenue	500
Wm. Hassard, small frame house, Ridge road	200
Mrs. Holmes, one-story cottage, frame, North Park street	1,000
Jewish Sunday school, Blanchard street, frame building, stone foundation	3,000
W. A. Jones, 1 1-2 story frame house, Chatham street, Spring Ridge	1,200
Mr. Johnson, small barn on churchway	200
Oliver Johnson, one-story frame cottage, brick basement, north Pembroke street	2,000
J. Johnson, stable, churchway	200
W. Kinnard, two-story frame house, Caledonia avenue	1,600
A. Keating, three two-story houses, Princess street, frame	3,600
P. Kepitous, frame stable, North Pembroke street	200
Gee Wing Loo, three brick buildings, Fisgard street	7,000
Lemrie estate, two-story frame building, stone foundation	2,000
A. F. Langley, one-story building in the Park	1,400
R. Langley, two-story house on Francis avenue	750
N. Messiah, two story frame building, St. James street	2,500
One-story building, Esquimalt road	2,500
One-story frame building, Mills road	800
W. Morris, two-story frame dwelling, Gorge road	3,000
Ewen Morrison, two-story frame dwelling, McGregor street	2,000
W. Munsie, three new 1 1-2 story houses, Cook street	4,500
Mr. McNaughton, Fernwood, one-story house	500
A. MacMillan, one-story frame building, brick and stone foundation	1,800
P. H. McEwen, two-story frame dwelling, brick foundation, Belmont avenue	2,200
Mrs. A. McDonald, one-story cottage, Third street	2,000
Mr. McDonald, additions to store, corner of Oak Bay and Cadboro Bay	500
Mr. Knott, two-story frame house, Jessie street	1,500
John Parker, 1 1-2 story house, Kane street	1,000
Protestant Orphans' Home, two-story brick building, Cook and Hillside streets	20,000
Mr. Pemberton, two two-story houses	3,000
Mrs. Parker, two cottages, Esquimalt road	3,000
C. T. Pennill, two-story house, Robert street, brick basement	3,500
Putnam street, 1 1-2 story frame house	1,200
Pandora street, two-story frame building with brick foundation	1,500
Mrs. M. Porter, one-story frame cottage, Francis avenue	1,500
Geo. Penketh, two-story house, Second street	1,800
R. J. Russell, two-story brick building, Johnson street	4,000
Margaret Rogerson, two-story house, Pandora street	1,500
Rithet & Co., new warehouse and wharf, Beckley farm	10,000
W. Rodwell, two-story house, Esquimalt road	2,000
A. Schroeder, one-story frame building, Hillside farm	900
Stafford estate, two-story frame building, brick foundation, Alfred street	5,000
Mrs. E. Smith, alterations to store, corner Government and John streets	1,500
School on Douglas street, two stories and basement	20,000
School on Michigan street	30,000
Schools, additions and alterations	5,000
Mr. Styles, two-story brick house, Johnson street	1,500
Speed avenue, 1 1-2 story house	1,200
Wm. Scott, two-story house, Finlayson street and Princess avenue	2,000
T. Tubman, one-story frame house, Richmond road	1,200
Mr. Taylor, one-story frame cottage, Oak Bay avenue	1,000
J. G. Tiark, two-story house, Esquimalt road	2,000
John Terry, 1 1-2 story brick house and kitchen, North Pembroke street	1,500
J. Ure, additions to cottage, Alfred street	500
City of Victoria, two-story brick police cells, Cormorant street	6,000
Sanitary office, one-story brick	900
Alterations and repairs to Old Men's Home	1,600
Brick and wooden buildings at Isolation hospital	25,000
Robert Ward, Fort and Langley, offices and warehouse	14,000
Mr. West, two-story frame building, Carr street, James Bay	3,600
J. K. Wilson, two-story frame residence, Churchway, stone foundation	4,000
Bakehouse, rear 423 Johnson street	600
Chas. Wilson, machine shops, Pembroke street	1,500
R. D. Young, six 1 1-2 story frame houses, Macaskill street	4,800
Two one-story houses	1,200
A. D. Young, two one-story houses, McClure street	1,000
Total	$409,950

Mr. Bryden of Nanaimo is building a large frame house on Head street just outside the city limits at a cost of $10,000. At Albert Head the quarantine hospital has been erected at a cost of some $50,000, which practically adds $60,000 to the value of buildings erected during the year.

Mortuary Returns.

During the year there were 357 deaths, 267 males, 90 females. Of the males 73 were Chinese, which partly accounts for the large differcace in the mortality of the sexes.

According to age the statistics were tabulated as follows:

	Male.	fem'e.	t'l.
Children (still born)	9	6	15
Children under one year	51	32	83
Children under five years	13	8	21
Children under 10 years	4	4	8
Children under 15 years	1		1
Adults under 20 years	2	1	3
Adults under 40 years	31	11	42
Adults under 60 years	34	13	47
Adults under 70 years	21	5	26
Adults under 80 years	15	2	17
Adults under 90 years	4	1	5
Adults over 90 years	1		1
Unknown	6	2	8
Indians	2	4	6
Chinese	73	1	74
	267	90	357

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EXPORTS TO THE STATES.

What Victorians Sent Across the Line During the Last Three Months.

The report of the exports from Victoria to the United States for the quarter ending December 31st has just been completed by Consul Myers. The export of gold dust is larger than it has been for any quarter for many years. The report follows:

Bananas	$ 844 00
Bones	60 00
Cigars	118 00
Coal Oil	603 00
Dry Goods	223 50
Fish	1,562 50
Furs, hides and skins	32,627 77
Gold dust, quartz, etc	94,173 54
Indian curios	100 50
Liquors	2,150 14
Miscellaneous articles	183 65
Oat grass	131 00
Returned goods	940 00
Tea	600 50
Total	$134,239 10

One hundred and thirty-three American vessels arrived; 132 American vessels departed; 1 American vessel sold; 2 American vessels now in port.

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SHORT LOCALS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

—Fine English table cutlery at Fox's

—The Full Court will sit next Thursday.

—A fine line of Sheffield carvers in cases just opened at Fox's, 78 Government street.

—The young people of Cedar Hill will hold a ball in the school house on New Year's night.

—A commanding officers' parade of the B.C.B.G.A. will be held on the second Thursday of each month.

—Account books, copying books and presses, office supplies at the reputed reduced prices at Johnston's book store.

—There was no quorum, so the proposed meeting of the Poultry Association had to be postponed last evening.

—A court-martial was held on H. M. S. Garnet to-day to try a stoker who attempted to desert from H. M.S. Pheasant.

—Spiritualism—Mrs. C. Mayo Steers will hold her last public meeting in Pioneer hall, Broad street, on Sunday evening at 7.30.

—M. Finnerty of the Spring Park farm to-day brought to the city some splendid samples of rhubarb grown in the open air.

—There were two drunks in the police court this morning. One was an old offender and was fined $10. The other was discharged. First offence.

—Victoria lodge, No. 1, I.O.O.F., did not hold its regular meeting this week on account of its being Christmas day, but will meet on Monday evening at 7.30 (New Year's day).

—United Service lodge, U.D., A.F. & A.M., will meet in their temple, Esquimalt, on Monday evening, January 1st, to initiate four candidates. Sojourning members are cordially invited to be present.

—Canton Victoria, No. 1, will parade in full dress uniform on Saturday, January 6th, at 7.30, in I.O.O.F. hall, to pay an official visit to Vancouver Encampment. All members are requested to be present.

—Albert Corona, the boy who came to Victoria to look for his mother, returned to San Francisco this morning by the Walla Walla. His expenses were defrayed by the British Columbia Benevolent Society.

—Rev. J. E. Coombes, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, will deliver a lecture at the First Presbyterian on the evening of Wednesday, January 3. His subject will be "Wonders of the World's Fair," illustrated with stereopticon views.

—The members of the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic Society will reproduce the comedy-drama "Strife" in the Victoria theatre on the evening of January 12th. The play was very creditably presented in Victoria West some time ago. The proceeds will be devoted to the P. O. Home.

—Vancouver Encampment, No. 1, will meet on Tuesday evening next to confer degrees upon two candidates. They will also hold a special meeting on Saturday evening, January 6th, for the purpose of installing officers. Grand Patriarch Mounce of Wellington will be down to perform the ceremony, after which there will be a banquet.

—George Watson, choirmaster of the Calvary Baptist church, and Miss Elizabeth B. Grant, soprano of the First Presbyterian church choir, were married last evening at the home of Mr. Henry, brother-in-law of the bride, by Rev. Dr. Campbell. Andrew Hay and Miss Sarah Foster supported the couple. A pleasant wedding supper was enjoyed.

—The annual Christmas tree entertainment of the Sabbath school of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West, last evening, was the most successful and interesting in the history of the school. Every boy and girl who attended the school during the year was remembered. Special books were given for special work. Miss Semple's valuable services as organist since the church was organized were remembered by the presentation on behalf of the congregation by the pastor of a beautiful silver card case, and on behalf of his class Mr. Moir, the choir leader, was presented with a complete and handsome set of carvers.

—The Sunday School children of Central church enjoyed their Christmas treat last evening. There was a large attendance and the affair was a pleasant one. Those who helped in the entertainment were: Piano solo, Miss Hardy; song, Miss McFarlane; dialogue, Miss Strachan and Mr. Davidson; recitation, Miss Armstrong; song, Miss Macleod and Mr. Simpson; recitation, W. Rosscamp; recitation, Miss Stewart; reading, Mr. Walkley; song, Mr. Simpson; reading, Mr. Hewartson, jr.; song, Miss Macleod and Mr. Simpson; recitation, Miss Strachan. Rev. Macleod made a few remarks and the distribution of prizes closed the evening's festivities.

—The case of Dunsmuir v. the bark Harold was up in the admiralty court again to-day.

—The children of the Protestant Orphans' Home had their Christmas tree yesterday afternoon. Each child received two or three presents and there was a plethora of candies, nuts and fruits. The children enjoyed themselves to their hearts' content.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. McTeigh will take place to-morrow. The cortege will leave the house, 190 Chatham street, at 1.30, and there will be services at St. Andrew's R. C. cathedral at 2 o'clock. A requiem mass for the repose of her soul was said at the cathedral this morning.

—"Sunset," and a new farce entitled "A Model Wife" will be performed at St. John's schoolroom on Monday next, January 2nd, at 8:30 p.m. Among those taking part are B. T. Drake, H. Mytton, T. W. Burton, W. Langley, Mrs. N. P. Snowden, Miss Powell, Miss Dunsmuir and Miss McKay. Songs will be sung by well known amateurs. The proceeds will be in aid of St. John's church.

Reasons why you should start the new year 1894 by buying your teas and coffees at the Victoria Tea House. They are many. We'll run over two or three now. First is, we are selling on smaller profits than others and as we also buy cheaper for cash we give you that advantage. And our blends are much superior to any one kind of tea alone and experience enables us to put them together without spoiling otherwise good tea. Try us.

—The scaling schooner Fawn met with a mishap this afternoon. She was being towed to Race Rocks by the Mary Hare, when she suddenly came to a standstill. She was on the mud. Several other tugs came to her assistance, but as the tide was falling it was not thought wise to try to pull her off. Her stern is in the mud, but her bow is clear. It will be high water at nine o'clock to-night, and it is thought there will then be no difficulty in getting her off. She is not supposed to be damaged to any extent which will prevent her from continuing her voyage. Captain Keefe is in command of the Fawn. There was a party of friends on board of the tug, who were going to bid him goodbye at Race Rocks. One of the passengers in the tug says that the captain of the Mary Hare took the outside course instead of the course usually taken by all boats, on the inside of the buoys. The captain could not be found to give his version of the affair. The Fawn will get Indians on the west coast, take her spring catch on this side and then cross to the Copper islands.

Marine

The steamship Walla Walla sailed for San Francisco at 11 o'clock this morning. Her cabin passengers from Victoria were: E. A. Duncan and wife, J. S. Sibbald, C. Ackerman, C. Steinfeldt, Miss Jessie Williams, Mrs. H. Wright, Mrs. F. H. Phippen and three children, Miss W. N. Smith, Mrs. R. C. Brown, Mrs. A. S. Arrowsmith, O. B. Ackerman, wife and two children, W. F. Hugo, D. A. Findlay, J. Van Bramer and N. Ackerman.

The steamship Umtilla arrived here at 6 o'clock last evening. She had very rough weather, otherwise she would have been in earlier in the afternoon. She brought 24 passengers and 100 tons of freight for Victoria.

A new copper wheel, to replace one made of cast iron, is being made in the east for the steamer City of Kingston. The new wheel is to be much lighter than the one now in use, which will greatly increase the steamer's speed. An effort will be made to reduce the time one hour between Tacoma and Victoria.

Conservatory of Recital.

The recital last evening by the teachers and pupils of the Victoria Conservatory of Music was a success. The programme was varied and pleasing. Diabelli's sonata for four hands in three distinctive movements, the first number, was cleverly rendered by Miss Adney and Miss Edith Byrn. Max Gipprich, now included in the staff of the Conservatory, made his first bow to a Victoria audience in de Beriot's "Concesto for Violin." His performance was much enjoyed. His second piece, "Fantasie Caprice," by Vieuxtemps, is full of difficult passages, all of which he played very well. For an encore he selected Moskowski's popular "Serenade." Mr. Gipprich is a violinist who has been carefully trained in the best methods. Miss Hood played the Polka Bravura by Engelbrecht in a very happy manner. Miss Sharp gave two songs in her usual captivating style. The second, a "Lullaby," was especially well received. Miss Louie Powell recited the favorite poem, "Mary, Queen of Scots," by Henry Glassford Bell. Miss Powell recited the vivid contrasts with dramatic force and skill. Miss Walker's piano selections from Chopin and Gillet, including a polonaise and impromptu, were quite on a par with her previous efforts. For an encore she charmed all with a tuneful melody imitation of a musical box. Miss Flumerfelt showed ability in Delibe's well-known "Pizzicati." For one so young the piece was certainly very exacting. A duet by Miss Sharp and Mr. Russell was the final number of an entertaining programme.

Russell & McDonald's

Regular annual dry goods sale commences on Tuesday next. Immense bargains are promised in all lines, but especially in dress goods and hosiery.

PYTHIAN BALL.

Assembly Hall Crowded With a Merry Party of Dancers.

The members of the local lodges K. of P. last evening met in Assembly hall with their relatives and many friends to enjoy the annual ball. The hall had been handsomely decorated with streamers, lanterns and mottoes. The Pythian banner was stretched across the centre of the hall, and on either side were the mottoes, "With knightly courtesy we greet you," and "A knightly and chivalric welcome to all." Banners of Far West, Sunset and Victoria lodges were also strung across the hall, each surmounted by the legend "Charity." A splendid supper was served during the evening. Music was supplied by Pfeiffer's orchestra, which commenced the grand march at nine o'clock. There were about 150 couples present. The dance programme follows:

Grand march.....Knights of Pythias
Waltz.....Ever of thee
Lancers.....Bell of the Ball
Schottische.....On the go
Polka.....The Coquette
Comus .....
Waltz .....Idalia
Lancers.....Among the 400
Schottische.....Princess
Polka .....Power of Love
Jersey .....Yankee Doodle
Waltz.....In the new home
Bon Ton.....Gavotte
Waltz quadrille.....Irene
Schottische.....Rural Bee
Polka .....Nip and Tuck
Waltz .....Friendship
Lancers .....Merry Maiden
Ripple .....Little Dove
Schottische.....Dancing on the Pier
Bon Ton .....Gavotte
Waltz .....How fair art thou
Lancers .....Conquerors
Polka .....Tit-Bits
Waltz.....Daughter of Love

General Committee—E. Pferdner, chairman, F. M. Cryderman, secretary; P. J. Hall, treasurer; George E. Moss, C. Blomquist, J. M. Hughes, T. Watson, G. Watson, W. P. Smith, J. J. Randolph, Charles L. Cole, and A. A. Aaronson.

Reception—Col. H. F. Behnsen, T. Deasy, C.C.; E. E. Leason, P.C.; George S. Russell, C.C.; J. C. Byrne, G.V.C.; J. Tecporten, C.C., and H. Dobbs, Sir Knight Captain.

Floor—J. J. Randolph, F. M. Cryderman, A. A. Aaronson, Charles L. Cole and J. M. Hughes.

CUSTOM RETURNS.

Imports and Exports During the Year—Duty Collected.

The custom house returns for the year 1893 are as follows:

IMPORTS.

	Dutiable.	Free.
January	$ 144,190	52,2[illegible]
February	119,019	26,674
March	120,929	41,937
April	215,120	125,004
May	288,331	240,747
June	158,558	68,000
July	174,908	35,723
August	155,305	45,981
September	206,652	49,957
October	224,216	24,017
November	182,241	32,586
December	166,862	33,022
Total	$2,195,424	785,313

EXPORTS.

	Produce of Canada.	Not pro. Can.
January	$ 37,178	22,576
February	15,008	7,019
March	32,718	4,919
April	37,329	6,136
May	74,148	13,354
June	48,408	72,198
July	180,162	7,983
August	486,458	19,073
September	948,146	10,911
October	585,370	77,431
November	441,121	7,086
December	440,376	8,551
Total	3,317,022	257,797

COLLECTIONS.

	Duty	Other Revenue.
January	48,578 38	4,596 44
February	50,019 54	11,197 23
March	62,908 38	6,171 00
April	68,511 91	10,813 43
May	84,897 24	8,304 76
June	66,112 27	8,017 00
July	56,714 62	3,388 00
August	66,178 12	4,536 87
September	67,548 10	5,774 94
October	70,835 00	4,383 00
November	57,648 16	1,843 77
December	48,843 14	4,646 21
Total	748,885 82	79,532 65

INLAND REVENUE.

Collections for eleven months ending November 30th:

January	$ 11,595 34
February	9,009 48
March	11,138 46
April	13,778 61
May	13,844 60
June	12,063 21
July	15,700 94
August	16,132 75
September	13,731 31
October	16,446 62
November	10,821 68
Total	$144,674 00

The returns for 1892 were as follows: Imports, dutiable goods, $2,553,176, free, $771,266; exports, produce of Canada, $1,268,515; not produce of Canada, $215,799; duty collected, $836,008; other revenues, $114,056; inland revenue for eleven months, $134,356.-80.

After the Smugglers.

It is a matter of public comment that smuggling is, and has been, going on along the coasts of Vancouver Island, and that unprincipled men have reaped a rich harvest by supplying Indians with liquor. The result has been that crime upon crime has been committed. More than once the Indians' quarrels have called for the intervention of armed constables. The Dominion and the Provincial governments have had this subject under consideration, and they have devised a plan to suppress this illicit traffic. Collector of Customs Milne said to a Times man: "The authorities are aware that the coast islands form a veritable paradise for smugglers, but it is intended to make the paradise as unpleasant as possible. Vigorous efforts will be made to suppress illicit trading. If any smugglers are caught they will be made an example of. The sealing schooners have all been cautioned not to sell any bonded stores. Violators will be punished to the full extent of the law. The authorities are determined to stamp out the business."

Police Returns.

The police court returns for the past year are, according to color:

	Whites.	Indians.	Chinese.
January	82	12	29
February	52	3	21
March	56	8	29
April	48	11	35
May	55	5	5
June	41	9	11
July	57	8	2
August	64	3	24
September	80	62	4
October	84	33	12
November	74	11	3
December	122	15	0
	824	180	186

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Rev. J. A. Logan, of Chilliwhack, will occupy the pulpit of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church to-morrow at both services.

Methodist church, Victoria West, Rev. G. H. Morden, pastor. Services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. The pastor will conduct both services. Morning subject, "The wasteful steward." Evening subject, "A timely Resolution."

Christadelphian Hall, 300 Douglas street, at 11 a.m., for the breaking of bread; 7 p.m., lecture. Subject, "Eternal Life." "Thou hast given him power over all flesh that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him."—John 17th, 2nd. All are welcome.

James Bay Methodist church. Special missionary services will be held. 11 a.m., sermon by Rev. C. M. Tate, and 7 p.m., addresses by Revs. Stone and Robson. Collections and subscriptions in aid of general mission fund.

Herald street mission church, Rev. Mr. Stone at 2:30 p.m., and Rev. C. M. Tate at 7 p.m. Special collections for general mission fund.

The services at the Centennial Methodist church on Sunday morrow will be: Morning at 11 a.m., Rev. Mr. Hall will preach, subject, "The uncarnal weapons with which the church's victories are won." Anthem, "How beautiful upon the mountains." Evening subject, "Unlawful excuses." Anthem, "How lovely are the messengers." Solo by Mrs. Rowlands. There will be a watchnight service commencing at 11 o'clock.

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Grand Old Norway and Her Sturdy Peasantry—Quaint Home Interiors—Ancient Kitchens of Vast Size.

London, Dec. 16, 1893.—The interiors of Norwegian peasant homes never present that warm, cheery, snug, restful and almost somnolent atmosphere of the Cumberland statesman's home, but it is still a place of simple comfort and plenty, and is often most characteristic and picturesque. If the ceilings be low, there is always plenty of room. I have come upon many a bonder's kitchen from 20 to 30 feet square, and houses in whose great living-rooms the whole family, and I mean by this the three or four families of each gaard or farm-house, with a goodly part of the neighborhood, could all be fed at a wedding or funeral supper, or engage in dancing, of which they are very fond, at one time without serious inconvenience to the assemblage.

These old kitchens are very ancient. Some are from 300 to 400 years old, and were the original and sole dwelling-places of the founders of the family. Some have the remains of the central cone-shaped holes in the roof through which air and light once exclusively came, as is still found in some of the Scottish crofter huts of Lewis and Skye. The corner chimney and open fire place which now are seen are comparatively modern, though still often from one to two hundred years old. Tiny windows are now found in these ancient kitchens; but the floor is usually of beaten earth nearly as hard as stone. A few rude wooden shelves, the heavy iron pots and kettles, a strong pine table and a stool or two, complete the scant and cumbrous furniture.

The living-room is a more pretentious apartment. Huge pine rafters stretch from wall to wall and their natural reddish tint is deepened by age to the rich hue of rosewood. Often the windows have deep casements, with little diamond-shaped panes, and in the summer time they are bright and winsome with plants and flowers. This room always has its wide high fire-place, and occasionally two of them on opposite sides of the room. In one corner near the fire-place is a cupboard, wide, deep and extending from floor to ceiling; and if not flaming with paint it will be covered with a profusion of carving, often in imitation of various articles of table-ware.

In the angle where the stairs ascend to the second story, another curious closet or cupboard is let in to the projection. This will contain the family store of books and what-not for the long winter nights' amusement. A huge pine table stands in the centre of the room, and its legs will be fairly flounced with carvings. Usually a smaller pine table is placed at the side of the room with the best chair or stool behind it, against the wall. This is the seat of honor, but no guest must ever occupy it without invitation from the bonder or his wife.

There are a number of shelves always laid on pegs or perched on grotesque carved brackets; and the stools and chairs are a curious collection of home handwork. I have seen in many peasants' houses more than a score of chairs carved out of solid cross-sections of huge pine trees. The seat is hollowed deep and wide; the back is worked out thin and round with a fine oval top in which is cut a curved hole for the hand, in order to easily move the chair from place to place; wide well-fashioned and carved arm-rests are at each side; and the bottom of this curious piece of furniture is always worked out as true, thin and perfect as an inverted chopping-bowl or cauldron kettle.

Usually the heads of the house sleep in this comfortable living-room, and the bed will always be found in the long recess behind the angle of the stairs. In many instances the beds are simply bunks built against the wall; and in most of these the chief portion of the bed clothing observable will be skins of sheep, or of the reindeer, beautifully dressed and the hide itself cured as soft as loosely-woven wool. In not a few of the more pretentious peasant homes the beds in these recesses are sufficiently wonderful for exhibition at world's fairs. They are big enough for giants to rest in, and are from four to five feet above the floor. Steps lead up to them, and the single corner-post and the side-rail which shows, in addition to being carved or painted in the most fantastic manner, will be covered, along with the sides of the ascending steps, with painted texts and mottoes, while a gaily-painted rude panel let down from the ceiling above the front of the bed bears in flaring letters the names of the bonder and his wife and the date of their marriage.

In the larger gaards there will be a best room, usually the length of the living-room, but narrower, and if this is not possessed, the chamber above the large living room bears the same relation to the Norwegian peasant home. It is in either case a sort of show room, where the possessions of the female members of the family are on exhibition, and a sort of huge family closet. Its furniture is always as rude and simple and of as primitive construction as that in other portions of the house, but it is more gaudily painted. Curious old pine bureaus and chiffoniers are here, marvelous in design and coloring, red, yellow and blue paint predominating. These contain the family underwear and all the general drapery.

One always has painted on it the maiden name of the housewife and the date of her marriage, forming a sort of permanent marriage certificate; and undoubtedly in this, packed carefully away in aromatic leaves and bits of ancient finery, will be found that most glorious bauble to eyes and heart of all Norwegian women, the huge bridal-crown of hand-wrought silver or gilt. I have been shown some which were said to be over 600 years old, and no doubt there are hundreds of these huge and gaudy relics in Norway which have descended in unbroken line from mother to daughter since the days of Olaf the Saint and Hakon the Good.

If this room be the chamber, all around the wall will be arranged a collection of curious little pine trunks or chests. Some are elaborately carved and all are gaudily painted. When a daughter of the house passes from girlhood to maidenhood she is given one of these chests. Her name is painted or carved upon it, and from this moment the highest ambition of her life aside from honorable marriage is the filling of this chest with bedding, underwear, trinkets, silver ornamentations and gowns, so that by the time she is betrothed she can make a fine showing of accumulated knick-knacks to her lover and envious companions; and there is no sacrifice she will not make or drudgery she will not cheerfully undertake to accomplish this object.

If this room be the chamber still, numbers of bunks are built against the opposite wall. Depending from ropes strung across the ceiling are numbers of dresses. Many are wofully plain, but here and there are glints of tinsel and gimp, bits of wonderful coloring in grotesque embroidery, and flashings of silver buttons, clasps and brooches. Along the walls here and there are hung curious embroideries, chiefly of wool. Plainly some are scarfs and wrappings, others seem to be patterns for bodices or best aprons; but most of them simply express the Norwegian peasant woman's ambition to provide unmistakable evidence of her skill with the needle. Brighter than all these, however, are the flowers which fill the windows of every Norwegian home. Huge fuchsias and gorgeous geraniums are most common, and these with the wonderful luxuriance of the wild mountain flora almost bring to Norway in summer the seeming of the odor and bloom of wanton tropic lands.

The inbred sturdiness and independence of character of all Norwegian peasants are best illustrated in the simple yet skilfully made belongings of these hamlet-like homes. Their handicraft is wonderful. The timber for their homes has been felled and fashioned by themselves. Every structure in the country, farm-house, storhaus, dairy, bake-house, barn, smithy, shed and bell tower, is built by the peasant himself. Every article of furniture he possesses has been wrought by his own hand. He beats out his cutlery on his own anvil and carves its handles. All the utensils of the dairy—cheese moulds, tubs, firkins, bowls, churns, milking pails and presses are of wood and home manufacture. Yokes for the saeter girls' necks, baskets, saddles, harness, snow ploughs, and even comfortable stoll carts and sledges, are all made in the little family workshop during the long winter months.

The peasant tans hides for the family boots and shoes, and makes all the latter by his own fireside. Nearly every article of clothing is made on the premises by the housewife and her daughters. The wool is carded and spun at home. The stockings, blouses and scarfs are knit at home, and the woolen cloth for the family clothing is woven in the chamber, the "best room," or in the huge old kitchen. Even the buttons of wood, of horn, or even of brass or silver, are products of home craft, and are often beautifully carved. In scores of peasants' homes where I have tarried the eye could not discover a single article of utility or ornament, save the glass in the windows, the oil lamps, the sparse supply of crockery, and the huge clock reaching from floor to ceiling, which was not completely a product of Norwegian peasant ingenuity and skill.

The Norwegian peasant is equally independent of all the rest of the world in the food necessities of life. His chief articles of food are supplied by his own herds. Milk, butter, cream and cheese are found in startling quantities in the lowliest peasant's home. One or two cows are kept at the farm house for summer use. The remainder of the herd are at the mountain saeter's, from which comes an endless procession of mountaineers and saeter girls, often accompanied by sure-footed ponies, all laden with panniers of butter and cheese or flasks of sour milk and whey. The butter and cheese are constantly being conveyed to the fiord-side markets, or are stored against the winter's needs, while the sour milk is used for food and the whey aids materially in fattening the swine. There are thus always animals for killing, the flesh usually being dried.

Many peasants are fishermen, and cure their own fish. If not, dried fish can be secured for the peasant's own products, probably cheaper than in other country in the world. Each peasant farmer raises his own barley, rye, oats, potatoes, and often a little wheat. On nearly every farm, and certainly in every neighborhood, there is a water mill for grinding the grain. I know of no other country where strawberries and raspberries grow wild in such vast quantities, or where all small fruits respond to rude or limited culture with such munificence of reward. In many peasant homes dried native fruit adds zest to the winter's sameness of fare. So it will be seen that the Norwegian peasant in his food supply is as independent of the outside world as in all the other requirements of life. There are but three articles in his home, sugar, salt and coffee, which the fiords, the streams, the mountain hollows and forests, and his own saeter and farm do not bountifully provide.

The every day food of these sturdy Norwegian folk consists largely of "greed," a sort of thick gruel or stirabout of oatmeal or barley meal or both, of milk, fresh, sour, curdled or boiled, of cheese, of which there are several varieties powerful in resistance, odor and sustaining qualities, and brown and black bread. The great and universal staple, however, is "fladbrod," or flatbread. It is the very life and sustenance of these folk, as was the bannock once to the Scottish peasantry. Every peasant's house has a pile of it not merely to draw upon, but often whole casks filled with wholesome, hearty food. It is simply a dough of barley and oatmeal, unfermented and containing a little salt, rolled to the thinness of wafers of great circumference and baked upon an iron plate like a large griddle over a "slow" fire.

If the ordinary housewife in other countries regards the family bread-baking as no little task, she would quail before the stint of providing the required supply of "fladbrod" at a Norwegian bonder's gaard. It is about one strong woman's task, to judge by the immense quantities consumed, and I never entered a cottage or gaard without discovering a grandmother, mother or daughter crouching before the coals or hovering over some huge stove ornamented with Pompeian figures, dexterously flipping with her ladle-like stick the dough upon the steaming iron plate, or cunningly landing the savory dish, without breaking, upon the ever-diminishing, ever increasing pile within the "fladbrod" keg.

If the Norwegian peasant knows little else than labor from childhood to old age, it is still a labor which brings the immediate and continuous reward of sufficiency and ample content. The brief summer of but three, and at the best of four months is one of tremedous effort for all the members of the household; for in that little time provision must be made for an almost dayless winter of eight to nine months' duration. The crops of grain, the vegetables, the butter and cheese that are being provided among the mountain saeters, all require unceasing labor; and more important than all else is the supply of hay and other fodder for the winter needs of the then helpless herds. I never before realized how great a value could be set by any people upon a few blades of grass.

Haymaking furnishes both the most picturesque and the most suggestive scenes in Norway. The women are constantly in the fields, picturesque in their short skirts, bright bodices and white caps; and men, women and children are all in a sort of mild frenzy in their efforts to save the precious crop. It is cut with short scythes and sickles, and the prized tufts are secured with the "tolkniv," which every peasant carries, and with shears from every copse-edge or cleft among the savage rocks. The entire crop is cured upon racks or hurdles and never left upon the ground for drying, and form almost inaccessible places above the farms the tiny bundles which may be secured among the crags are conveyed to the valleys below on wire runways or tightly stretched ropes. The saeter girls, too, are not idle meanwhile in husbanding fodder for the herds. They are gathering every possible blade of grass, breaking from the birch trees the tenderst buds and branches, and securing great stacks of reindeer moss. When the terrible winter storms have packed the ice and snow into the chasms and crevices like stone, the peasants in their snowshoes ascend the heights to the saeters and add this excellent fodder to their store within the sheds and barns.

The religious, social and homeside life of these simple and primitive people could almost be revealed in three sentences. They are hereditarily pious and reverence all sacred things and traditions. Social intercourse finds its chief fruition in christenings, weddings and funerals. And the calmness and serenity which seem to characterize the faces of all Norwegian peasants you will meet in homes seem to almost tell the whole grand national story of that blessed domestic repose which broods where faithful labor thrives, where independence has grown through the centuries into a part of a people's religion, and where false ambitions are almost unknown.

For eight years my wanderings have led me into all civilized lands. The tenderest days and ways have been among their lowly folk. Whether beside the sea among the huts of fishermen, in the city's stifling quarters, with the foresters of the mountains or the cotters of the valleys, if in vagrant Gipsy tent, or still if alone in dreary untrodden paths, there has ever been near me the kindly human voice, the helpful human hand and the tender human heart of some one from among those toiling unregarded millions on whose simple, earnest natures and steadfast, loyal lives our whole world rests. Among all of these I have nowhere found a folk who must go with me in heart-picture and memory, into that measureless land of romance wherein my way now leads, with finer and nobler presence and tread than my lowly peasant friends of stern yet glorious "Gamle Norge."

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Foreign News.

Pernambuco, Dec. 29.—The dynamite gun of the government cruiser Nitheroh did not work satisfactorily during the tests made on the voyage from New York to this port. Both officers and crew have shown great disappointment on account of its failure. It is said the air-pumps of the gun are leaky and the joints badly packed. Before final judgment on the utility of the gun further tests will probably be made. The orders issued from the ministry of marine to the government warship Parahyba have been changed. President Peixoto is reported to have ordered her back to this port.

London, Dec. 29.—Donald McFarlane, Liberal M. P. for Argyleshire, gave notice in the House of Commons that he would ask the premier to-day a certain question. This question was designed to bring from Premier Gladstone a promise to use drastic measures, if need be, to pass the Unionist Parish Councils bills. In response to a private request, however, Mr. McFarlane agreed to postpone the question until Monday. The Central News says: "Negotiations are passing between the government and the opposition on the basis of mutual concession, with a view to passing the Parish Councils bill on a given day, although whatever compromise is effected, the measure cannot be passed before the end of January. The discontent of the Radicals and many Liberals with the government's hesitation to take decisive steps against the obstructionists, has in no wise abated. Should the government fail to give a satisfactory answer to Mr. McFarlane's question of January 1, extreme pressure will be exerted to induce the government to apply the cloture.

Barcelona, Dec. 29.—Sogas, one of the anarchists arrested recently, has made a statement to the police implicating Vancrini, an Italian anarchist, in the latest dynamite plots. Vanerini was arrested last night. The number of anarchist prisoners is now well above 200. The police have discovered in the province of Barcelona thirty organized clubs of revolutionists and force centres of anarchist propaganda. From the centres the leaders of the revolution have controlled the anarchist agitation throughout the province.

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DOUGLAS ST. AND OUTER WHARF—5c.—First car leaves Tolmie Avenue at 6:35 a.m.; Outer Wharf at 6:40 a.m. Last car leaves Tolmie Ave. at 10:55 p.m.; Outer Wharf at 11:00 p.m.

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Ar. 12.30 P.M.	Ar. 2.30 P.M.	VICTORIA		Lv. 9.00 A.M.	Lv. 9.00 A.M.
12.20	2.20	MUSKILLE	11	9.10	9.10
12.10	2.10	COLWOOD	2	9.20	9.20
12.05	2.05	GOLDSTREAM	3	9.25	9.25
11.55	1.55	SOOKE SIDING	5	9.35	9.35
11.50	1.50	SHAWNIGAN LAKE	6	9.40	9.40
11.40	1.40	COBBLE HILL	8	9.50	9.50
11.30	1.30	McPHERSON'S	10	10.00	10.00
11.25	1.25	KOKSILAH	11	10.05	10.05
11.20	1.20	HOWICHAN	13	10.10	10.10
11.15	1.15	CHEMAINUS	16	10.15	10.15
10.50	1.00	OYSTER BAY SIDING	23	10.35	10.35
9.45	12.15	NANAIMO	50	11.40	11.40
8.30	10.45	WELLINGTON	58	12.10	12.10
Ar. 8.00	Ar. 10.15			Lv. 12.30	Lv. 12.30

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CIVIC AFFAIRS DISCUSSED.

Platform Committee's Report Received Last Evening.

RATEPAYERS DO NOT CROWD CITY HALL.

Report Taken Up Clause by Clause and Considered—Separate Municipal Acts Favored by the Meeting—Election of Aldermen at Large.

The meeting held at the city hall last evening for the purpose of receiving the report of the committee appointed to draft a platform for the coming civic elections showed very little enthusiasm. Senator Macdonald, chairman of the previous meeting, presided.

After a few explanatory remarks by the chairman the secretary read the report of the committee. There was but one change in the report published several weeks ago in the Times. This change, or rather addition, suggested that aldermen be elected from the city at large, and that the half of those elected receiving the most votes be elected for two years.

The report was received and the committee thanked for the trouble they had taken to prepare it.

The report was taken up clause by clause.

Dr. Milne said that in other cities the feeling was growing for the election of aldermen from the whole city and not from sections. It would prevent pooling, which is done in some cities. If there was a municipal act governing all the cities when changes were needed the legislature would make them without the cities being put to the expense. Individual members, of course, did not agree on some parts of the reports. The object was not to nominate candidates. It was just to bring about a discussion of municipal affairs. The fact that taxes were going up made property owners take an interest in civic affairs. The mayor should be made responsible, and when commissioners were appointed the mayor should be one of those commissioners.

Jos. Cohen said that it was a dangerous thing to elect the aldermen at large. One party could by that means be elected to further the interests of a clique or ring. He explained a system by which any man who had a friend to propose him could be elected. A candidate should have twenty men to propose him. If there was some safeguard it might be well to elect the aldermen at large, but if there was not some safeguard it would be very dangerous.

Mr. C. E. Redfern thought there were many who would favor the election of aldermen at large, but would not favor the election for two years of those receiving the largest number of votes. The election of aldermen at large would do away with the sectional feeling that prevails. He did not, however, favor the election of aldermen for two years. If a man did his duty well he would have no difficulty in being re-elected. All must agree with the clause suggesting separate acts for governing the cities and the rural municipalities. The present municipal act was very cumbrous.

Alexander Wilson wanted to know what were the defects of the present act.

Dr. Milne explained that the committee had acted upon the suggestions made at the previous meeting. At present members of the legislature from the district brought in amendments to the act which cause conflicts. Hon. Mr. Richards brought the question up at the last meeting. He as a lawyer found the act very cumbrous.

Alex. Wilson said the matter was brought up at what he called a hole-in-the-corner-meeting. He was present, although uninvited, at the meeting. He objected to the election of aldermen at large for the same reason that he objected to the election of school trustees at large. That it was a bad system was shown by the action of trustees regarding the North and South ward schools. The report was very watery and dishy. The system of electing aldermen for two years was wrong. If an alderman did his duty he could be re-elected, and if no good it would be well to have him out. The system had been tried and found wrong.

Senator Macdonald objected to the previous meeting being called a "hole-in-the-corner-meeting." The gentlemen present were highly respectable.

Alex. Wilson—I called it that because but a few citizens received notices to attend.

Mayor Beaven did not think any statute was perfect. Even in Ontario amendments were made to the municipal act every year. He believed that in the legislature the concensus of opinion was in favor of the division of the municipal act to deal with the cities and district municipalities. It would be very simple for two separate acts to be prepared to govern the different classes of municipalities. He had a great deal to do with the forming of the municipal act, but there were many things in it that he did not favor. One of the things he objected to was the clause providing that but a bare majority should be necessary to carry a by-law. Men who voted to make a three-fifths majority necessary to pass a by-law in Vancouver voted for a bare majority in Victoria. Some provision should be made for a court of equalization. At present the court of revision could not decrease the assessment of property unless the owner applied for a decrease. All advanced thinkers favor the abolition of the ward system in cities. Many arguments could be raised for and against the system. He favored the election of mayor and aldermen every year. It gave the ratepayers a chance to make a change if they so wished.

The clause suggesting that there should be two separate municipal acts was adopted. That recommending that aldermen be elected at large was carried, while the one providing that those receiving the largest number of votes to be elected for two years was defeated.

The next clause taken up was the one recommending the extension and continuation of the sewerage system as rapidly as possible. The clause was adopted without discussion.

"That a front foot tax or special rate be levied to carry on the sewerage work" was the next clause brought up.

Ald. Belyea thought the committee might have spent more time on the sewerage question. He was not quite clear as to what the committee wanted. He believed that the local improvement plan was the best. The present local improvement law, however, was unjust. The property should not have to pay all of the cost of improvements. The city should pay a share. Every improvement was a benefit to the whole city and the whole city should pay a proportion of the cost, say one-third, leaving two-thirds for the property owners to pay. For sewers the city at large should pay part of the cost and the property directly benefited should pay the balance. There were more clauses in the municipal act dealing with streets than there are streets in Victoria. In other provinces the legislatures simply said to the cities: "You have control of your streets." There was no need of telling the city that they can or can not clean or extend their streets.

Mr. Redfern was of the opinion it would require one whole evening to consider that one clause. He therefore moved discussion of it be deferred. Seconded by Dr. Milne and carried.

The clause relative to the sewerage commission was then taken up. Mr. Haughton thought the mayor should be a member of the commission.

Dr. Milne suggested it would be well to have the mayor an ex-officio member of all commissions.

Mr. Redfern moved the mayor be placed on the commission instead of the city engineer.

Alex. Wilson did not believe in having a commission of the kind. There was no need for it. The council should be competent to do the work. The plans were already completed.

Ald. Belyea did not agree with the last speaker. The work would require at least three years, and continuity was certainly desired. The work must not be broken in on, and must be kept free from civic politics. In any council there were always two sides and it would be bad to take the question into a body where the lines were closely drawn. A commission, he believed, could do the work more cheaply. He believed in dividing city work under competent department heads.

Mr. Wilson held that there was continuity in the administration of city affairs at present and always had been. A competent city engineer would accomplish the desired result. He wanted city officers decreased, not increased in numbers.

Ald. Munn said the common idea was a natural result of the vote passed early in the evening in favor of turning the council out of office annually. Continuity was what was lacking in municipal maters. He favored a commission and the letting out of the work in small contracts.

John Teague was strongly in favor of the commission idea. It was the only way to do the work. He believed the engineer should be one totally distinct from the city engineer. He assured Mr. Wilson that the last commission did not draw pay for nothing. The members went to few meetings which did not last three or four hours. He was in favor of the mayor being on the commission.

The clause was carried, and it being after 10 o'clock and impossible to complete the consideration of the report, it was decided to adjourn to the call of the chair.

ALWAYS FATAL BEFORE.

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Toronto, Dec. 25th, 1893.—The case of Dr. E. A. Rose, who was cured of diabetes by Dodd's Kidney Pills, was sufficiently remarkable to command widespread attention; but second thoughts bring out a more remarkable phase of the matter. Blood poisoning, as a development of diabetes, is always considered fatal. When it sets in the attending physician always gives up any lingering hope he may have had. In Dr. Rose's case blood poisoning had set in, yet he was cured. His is the only instance of a cure having been effected after blood poisoning had appeared. This fact, and the reports of other cures of kidney disease from the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills, must convince every one that these possess extraordinary virtues in cases of kidney and blood disorders.

General News.

London, Dec. 28.—Admiral de Horsey sends to the Times a letter received from an officer on board the British battleship Resolution, describing the fearful experiences of that ship during the gale in the Bay of Biscay. Even in moderate weather the Resolution rolled 45 degrees each way. She steamed slowly, keeping her head to sea, knowing that any deviations would break down the engines and capsize the ship. The next day the gale was moderating and the coal running short, but they dared not turn for fear of going over. On the afternoon of December 21 the weather allowed an alteration of the course, and the vessel was able to make for Queenstown. Every man on board felt thoroughly unsafe. Commenting on the letter Admiral de Horsey says nothing is an excuse for new iron ships so constructively weak as to become dangerously strained and leaky in one gale. In the Commons to-day the secretary of the admiralty replying to a question said the structure was not damaged, and the cost of repairs would be only $1750.

Melbourne, Dec. 28.—There was a terrific gale at Port Phillip last night. The steamer Alert, from Port Albert for Melbourne, was wrecked off Jubilee Point and only one life saved.

"A snake in the grass" is all the more dangerous from being unsuspected. So are many of the blood medicines offered the public. To avoid all risk, ask your druggist for Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and also for Ayer's Almanac, which is just out for the new year.

THE FELON'S DEATH.

The Murderer of Mayor Harrison to Die by Hanging.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Unless the law interferes, Patrick Joseph Prendergast, murderer of Mayor Carter Henry Harrison, will die on the gallows. Twelve representative citizens of Cook county this afternoon adjudged him guilty and responsible for his cowadly ded on the night of October 28th, and the death watch to-night sits outside of his cell in the county jail. The verdict of the jury was agreed upon after a deliberation of a little over an hour. The morning of the last day in the trial was alloted to Alfred S. Trude, who pleaded eloquently for justice and argued concisely to convince the twelve men before him that the miserable wretch knew he was committing a crime when he took the life of the lawyer's friend. Judge Brentana followed with instructions to the jury, providing for every contingency or doubt which might arise in the minds of those who were Prendergast's judges. The text of all the verdicts for and against the prisoner which could be rendered in his case was given to the twelve persons, and they retired at 1.25 p.m., to consider which one they should return according to the law and evidence. Prendergast sat sullen and silent through this last scene but one in the trial. After a while he was taken back to the cell in the jail, and the tension which had kept the men and women subdued was relaxed.

The silence only broken by quiet conversation gave place to light-hearted talk in every portion of the court room. The Harrison family was represented by Preston Harrison, son of the murdered man. Neither Prendergast's mother nor brother were in the court room during the closing scene. Nobody was expecting the return of the jury for a few hours. Suddenly, at 2.30 o'clock, in the midst of general conversation and laughter, came a bailiff's shrill voice calling, "Take seats now, gentlemen." The meaning of the order was well understood. It had the effect of an electric shock. "That means guilty, sure." "It's a hanging," were the words which passed from mouth to mouth. Every eye was turned towards the door, and the buzz and hum of conversation died away. Instead a solemn silence pervaded the chamber. From the door came a procession of stern-faced men. Judge Brentana led the way, followed by the jury and bailiffs. The deputy-sheriffs had a moment or two to wait before being dispatched across the "bridge of sighs" to the jail, with orders to bring in the prisoner. Walking with guards in front of him and guards behind him, Prendergast advanced slowly to his seat. Jail Clerk Ben Price, who accompanied the assassin, urged him to "brace up and keep your mouth shut!" Prendergast obeyed the latter injunction only. His bravado and vanity had fled. The mask had been torn from his face by fears of an adverse verdict, and he stood before the court and jury naturally, a cringing coward, afraid to hear his doom pronounced. He dropped into his seat against the wall and the guards stood over him. His protruding lower jaw became limp, so that his lips hung wide apart, imbecile fashion. A pallor spread over his face and he stared vacantly in front of him. He sat there friendless and excited. The silence was extremely intense. It was broken by the voice of Judge Brentana saying: "Gentlemen, have you agreed upon a verdict?" "We have, your honor, replied Foreman J. Sutter, handing the fatal document to the judge, who transmitted it to the clerk. That officer quietly opened it in the midst of the breathless suspense and read as follows: "We, the jury, find the prisoner, Patrick Eugene Prendergast, guilty of murder in the manner and form as charged in the indictment, and we fix his sentence at death."

When the clerk uttered the word "Death!" Prendergast made the sign of the cross over his breast with the right hand. His demeanor was pitiful. Not a word escaped his lips. The effect of the death verdict rendered the spectators silent. No one rose to go. Quickly the guards took hold of the trembling prisoner and were hurrying him back to the jail, when the voice of the judge was heard again. "Bring the prisoner back," he commanaded, and the condemned creature was led back to his seat. The formality of polling the jury had not been complied with. It was soon over, each juror answering "yes" to the question, "And this is now your verdict?" Prendergast did not sit down the second time. He stood pale and terror-stricken close to his chair, stretching his hand for support against the wall, while the guard held the other. After the removal of the guilty wretch Attorney Wade entered a formal motion for a new trial, which will be argued next week. Then the crowd quickly dispersed.

Homestead, Pa., Dec. 29.—As the notice of the scale readjustment applied only to the tonnage men employed in the Carnegie Steel Works, it was thought the mechanics' and laborers' wages would remain undisturbed. Not so, however, a notice having been issued informing the machinists of a reduction of 2 1-2 cents per hour, while the laborers are reduced 2 cents per hour. The machinists formerly earned from $2.25 to $2.75, and laborers $1.40 for a day of ten hours. It is claimed by the officials of the company that there are now enough orders placed to keep the works running till April 1.

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Seattle, Dec. 29.—Secretary Whittlesey of the chamber of commerce of this city, has received a copy of the Hawaiian Gazette, Honolulu, published Dec. 12. The front page has a three column article on the proposed cable, giving a diagram showing the bottom of the ocean between Honolulu and Monterey Bay, California. Near Honolulu the ocean bottom drops off abruptly to a depth of 2878 fathoms, and continues at this depth for many miles. The deepest place in the entire route is 3973 fathoms with an average depth between Hawaii and California of about 2400 fathoms. The article gives the opinions of a large number of U.S. engineers and also of engineers of England and France stating the practicability and necessity of the cable.

The paper contains an article about the steamship Miowera, stranded on the reef near Honolulu. It says the vessel is but very slightly injured and men are repairing her at the Honolulu iron works and she will soon be ready for sea again. The vessel lay 41 days on the reef and only broke one propeller blade and slightly damaged her bottom.

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Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Total exports, $737,265. Total products, forest, $394,652. Total inland revenue, $100,288.68, as compared with $96,974.16 last year.

Total cases in the police court, 758; Indians, 46; Chinese, 25; total interments in the city cemetery, 227, recorded with Register Beck, 249 births, 148 marriages and 152 deaths. Customs duties, $268,034.17; other revenue, $37,073.41. Total imports, free, $545,336; dutiable, $813,088.

PHARISAICAL PHILANTHROPY.

Another Attempt of the Artful Dodger Neatly Nailed.

Nanaimo, Dec. 30.—Premier Davie has written Marshal Bray, government agent, telling "if he can find work for 150 men on the roads, so as to relieve distress among the East Wellington miners. This is looked upon as another election scheme of the premier's, as he must know that no work can be done for the next two months owing to the severity of the weather. There are about two hundred miners out of employment in this city alone, and with those at East Wellington this number will be considerably increased.

On New Year's day the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will give a tea to strangers between 6 and 8 p.m. This is to take the place of the annual New Year's entertainment:

Constable McKinnon had a hard chase after a Chinaman in the bush yesterday. The Celestial had been abandoned by his countrymen, who said he was a leper, so he gained a living by peddling whiskey to Indians. The doctors declare the man is not a leper, but is suffering from a peculiar skin disease.

George Churchill will stand for the South ward in the municipal elections, and ex-Mayor Hilbert will stand for mayor.

C. H. B. Potts went to Victoria today to take up the case of Nassip Antonous, the Assyrian who has been arrested for selling goods without paying duty.

AMERICAN NEWS NOTES

Daily Chronicle of Events in The Great Republic.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 30.—Edward Williams, a negro, who had attempted a criminal assault on a white woman, received one hundred lashes in the presence of all the inhabitants of the village of Broadway yesterday. He was beaten unmercifully.

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—Jas. B. Cook, ex-clerk of the police court, was to-day sentenced by Judge Wallace to eight years' imprisonment in the penitentiary for embezzlement.

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—The inspectors of hulls and boilers to-day rendered a decision in the case of the collision between the steamers Leader and J. D. Peters, which occurred near Martinez in the 15th inst. Capt. J. M. Andrews of the Peters is suspended for one month and Pilot J. M. Pettingiger of the Leader is suspended for six months.

La Porte, Ind., Dec. 30.—Friends familiar with the circumstances of Mrs. Schuyler C. Colfax, widow of the late Vice-President Colfax, declare the failure of the Indianapolis National bank has swept away the small fortune left by her husband, which was invested in the ruined institution. During the declining years of his life Colfax was a close friend of Theodore Haughy, the bank wrecker.

New York, Dec. 30.—The Sun says: It became known to-day that ex-Vice President Morton had an operation performed on his left foot in Paris three weeks ago. When in England Mr. Morton was troubled with pain in his left foot. Doctors said it was gout. Mr. Morton went to Paris and doctors there said the trouble was not gout, but that it would be advisable to amputate one of his toes, which was done. The latest news from Mr. Morton is that he is doing well.

Lauder, Wyo., Dec. 30.—There is great excitement in this city over the non-arrival of the mail and passenger coach from Rawlins, which was due here on Thursday. Despatches from Crook's gap say nothing can be heard from the coach or passengers. Supt. McDonald has gone with an extra coach to look for the passengers and mail. Progress will be slow. It has been snowing hard at Crook's Gap for 36 hours and the snow is three feet deep on the level. There were six or eight passengers on board. A searching and relief party will be organized.

Mount Holly, N. Y., Dec. 30.—The suit of Mrs. Emily Morgan against Albert C. Heulings and others, administrators of Josiah Wallace, of Palmyra, for nearly $20,000, the amount claimed on a twenty years' board bill, was concluded today. The defense sought to show that Josiah Wallace was not the decrepit old man the plaintiff had represented. The jury brought in a verdict in favor of Mrs. Holly for 954 weeks' board at $15 a week, amounting to $14,310. Wallace left nearly a million.

New York, Dec. 30.—The work of transferring the securities of the St. Nicholas bank to Receiver Grant by Bank Superintendent Preston was begun yesterday. Mr. Preston said President Graves had paid up his debt of $14,000 to the bank. He also asserted that it looked as if the money said to have been taken by Receiving Teller Hill had been stolen between Dec. 11th and 21st. Examination, as completed by the bank examiners shows the capital to be impaired at least one-half, or $250,000. Mr. Grant will deposit the securities with the Central Trust Co. After the transfer he will make a statement.

Seattle, Dec. 29.—A special to the Telegraph from Kendrick last night says: Samuel Ellis, of this place, who, with a party of trappers, is hunting in the vicinity of the Bitter Root mountains, arrived to-day with tidings of George Colgate, the cook deserted by the Carlin party who were lost in the Bitter Root mountains. On Sunday last, while camped on the banks of the Clearwater river, a bottle was seen floating down the stream by Ellis, and upon being opened the following letter was found in the bottle: "Nov. 27, '93.—I am alive and well. Tell them to come and get me as soon as anyone finds this. I am 50 miles from civilization as near as I can tell. I am George Colgate of the lost Carlin party. My legs are better. I can walk some. Come soon for God's sake. Take this to Kendrick, Idaho, and you will be liberally rewarded. My name is George Colgate from Post Falls. This bottle came to me one day and I caught it and write these words to take me out. Direct this to St. Elmo Hotel, Kendrick, Idaho. George Colgate. Good bye wife and children." M. C. Normoyle, proprietor of the St. Elmo hotel at once organized a party who will start to-morrow in search of Colgate.

Colusa, Cal., Dec. 29.—About three o'clock this morning word reached here that the body of a murdered man had been found in the Sacramento river below the town. Deputy Sheriff Jamieson was detailed to investigate and upon his arriving at the place indicated, found that there were two bodies. Upon examination it was discovered that an atrocious murder had been committed. One man, evidently a German, about five feet 10 inches in height, weighing about 180 pounds, was found with the right side of his head blown off, evidently with a shotgun held close to his head, as his face is powder-burned. The other, man, whose nationality is unknown, was five feet 8 inches high and weighed about 150 pounds. He was found to have had his head cut open and had two knife wounds in the breast. The deed had been perpetrated in a cabin on the Moulton ranch on the east side of the river, about four miles below Colusa, and their bodies had been dragged to the river and thrown in. Nothing whatever is known of either of the men. Robbery was evidently the cause of the murder, as the pockets of both men had been turned inside out. This is undoubtedly one of the most cold-blooded murders ever perpetrated in the county, as both men were shot dead, indicating that they were attacked while asleep.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The United States revenue cutter Grant, on her way to Port Townsend, has been heard from at Barbadoes; all were well. The Grant will next touch at Bahia, Brazil.

Brooklyn, Dec. 30.—The police department of this city to-day contributed $7000 to the fund for the relief of the poor. Each member of the department gave a day's pay.

Washington, Dec. 30.—United States Treasurer Morgan to-day mailed checks aggregating $6,828,717, in payment of the January interest on United States four per cent. bonds and Pacific railroads bonds.

Caprivi the Soldier.

It is doubtful whether von Caprivi would give up the chancellorship with any deep regret for the office. Shortly after his appointment as Prince Bismarck's successor, he remarked to a friend: "It is only because I am a soldier, and because it is my duty to obey my superior officer, that I am chancellor of the Empire to-day." Duty impresses one as being the keynote of his character, while his inspiration was his army corps. In reply to congratulations upon his maiden speech in the reichstag, he said: "But a soldier is not an orator. Have you ever thought of the three men in the world who most must move the hearts and emotions of their fellow men—the preacher, the poet and the soldier? To the preacher and the poet are given all the wealth and power of language; but the soldier, he who must move men to the death before them, has naught but the words of command." As he spoke his whole face was lit up with an enthusiasm that made it easy to recognize how such a soldier leader could inspire his regiments.

At the beginning of his chancellorship he spoke very little English, but read it with ease, being especially fond of George Eliot's novels. Busy as have been his three years in office, he has found time to devote to the practice of speaking English, and has made decided progress. His knowledge of foreign lands has been gained from books, from men, and from a stern experience.

Once at a dinner, when the subject of uniforms was being discussed, he said: "Since taking off my little black confirmation coat, I have worn no other but that of my uniform, save on one occasion, when I was bidden to a hunt by the old Emperor."

"When travelling in foreign lands, though, how could you have worn your uniform?" questioned his neighbor at the table.

With a quiet smile he answered: "Four times in my life have I been out of Germany. Once I went to Italy on a special mission when my uniform was required; once I was summoned to the deathbed of a friend in Switzerland, and, having no other clothes, was given permission to wear my uniform. Once I went into Austria and once I went into France—but those were days when uniforms were not left behind."

Caprivi is not a Bismarck, but in spite of the overshadowing fame of his great predecessor, he has filled the office with strength and ability. Germany may well be proud of such a man, whose honesty of purpose none could doubt, whose ambition was for his country only, and whose untiring effort has always been to give her faithful service.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

Matters of Interest Going Forward in the Sporting World.

THE WHEEL.

New York, Dec. 29.—At nine o'clock the score in the six days' race stood as follows: Schoch, 1468.1; Waller, 1443; Martin, 1358; VanEmberg, 1200.2; Meixell, 1551.9; Albert, 1288.4; Golden, 1117.1; Hosmer, 969; Forster, 1042.5; Ashinger, 838; Barton, 834.3.

There was more excitement at the Madison Square Garden at nine o'clock tonight than since the recod-breaking six-day bicycle race, which commenced last Monday, started. It was at this moment that Schoch, who is leading all competitors, broke the world's record of 1466 miles and five laps made in October, 1891, in 142 hours. This remarkable feat was accomplished in nearly 25 hours less than the record made by Martin, who was then third in the present contest. During the afternoon and the early hours of the evening interest seemed to flag a little in the race, as there were no incidents. When Schoch, however, broke the world's record, dismounted from his bicycle, decorated with the American flag, and walked around the ring with his wheel, while the band played "America," the audience cheered again and again.

At midnight the score stood: Schoch, 1474.0; Waller, 1437.2; Martin, 1359.2; Albert, 1289.9; VanEmberg, 1207.8; Meixell, 1161.9; Golden, 1151.3; Hosmer, off; Forster, 1045; Ashinger, 961; Barton, 895.

The score at noon to-day was: Schoch 1508, Waller 1467, Martin 1400, Albert 1335, Vanemberg 1280, Golden 1235, Meixell 1181, Forster 1045, Hosmer 969, Barton 949, Ashinger 879.

When the six days' bicycle race comes to an end to-night it is certain all previous records for such a tournament will have been broken. During the early hours this morning nearly all the men still in the race kept at work, adding many laps and miles to their scores.

WRESTLING.

THE SCOT WON.

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—This evening Dan Macleod easily defeated Sebastian Miller, the Bavarian Hercules, both at catch-as-catch-can and in Graeco-Roman style.

THE RING.

Pugilist critics are still worried over the attitude of Governor Mitchell. The governor is expected here soon, and those who favor the contest will use every possible effort to induce him to keep quiet. Able lawyers here say that if the circuit court decided in favor of the match the governor cannot interfere. Habeas corpus proceedings will be heard on Wednesday instead of Monday.

The Taste for Poetry Dying Out.

Some of the greatest names in poetry are fading out of our memory. There is no sale in America for some of the poets that once were in every household, and at home Shakespeare and Scott—the former less as a poet than as a dramatist—alone are universally read. The age seems to be against the verse and the versifier. The modern reader who helps to crowd the reading rooms and the libraries never asks for a volume of verse unless he is moved by a chance piece of gossip concerning its author or a momentary freak of fashion. The noble sequence of older English rhymers who have handed down to us golden thoughts and fancies which laugh at time and have crystallized in their verses every changing aspect of our great national story, are rarely asked for. Even the poets of yesterday, who ought to be familiar, seem less and less appreciated, or if a momentary popularity sets in their direction, it can generally be traced to some passing and unintellectual cause. For instance, some little time ago an abortive attempt was made to erect a shrine, or a bust, or something of that sort, to Shelley in his native village. The scheme got into the newspapers and was talked of, and immediately the cheap bookstalls and the circulating libraries began to be conscious of a fluttering, infantile boom in that particular poet. It was as if the book-buying public had been galvanized for a moment into asking itself, "Shelley! who is Shelley? I think I have heard the name before, and I may as well have a copy of him, because I saw Brown buying a copy yesterday, and it won't do to know nothing of this fellow Shelley when we meet."—Edwin Lester Arnold in the Queen.

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Per City of Kingston from the Sound—J C Hayward, E Bloomingdale, Reanita, Chin Quong Fook, Ed Stoke, Mrs Carmichael, J Brown, J A Anderson, Cod Kane, J Morrison, M McTeigh, Mrs Kelly, C Butler, H Robb, N Anderson, F V Moffatt, W Wilson, F Jacobson, Chas Shatzel, F W Panlus, W J Moore, Sam Gray, Miss Dodge, J Cameron, Mrs Shatzel, P O Defries.

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PERSONAL.

H. E. Crossdale left for Nelson this morning.

Col. A. J. Kane returned from the Sound this morning.

Samuel Gray was a passenger home on the Kingston to-day.

Dr. and Mrs. Walker, of New Westminster are at the Driard.

W. Townley, of Vancouver, registered at the Driard last evening.

E. Bloomingdale arrived in the city on the City of Kingston this morning.

M. McTeigh came up from Seattle this morning to attend the funeral of his mother.

Geo. L. Courtney and wife went to Vancouver this morning and will remain until after New Year.

Mrs. H. E. Connon, who has been spending the holidays in Vancouver, returned home yesterday evening.

DIED.

McTEIGH—On Friday, Dec. 29th, at 5 a.m., at St. Joseph's Hospital, Sarah, widow of the late John McTeigh, a native of Londonderry, aged 59 years.

The funeral will take place on Sunday from the residence, 190 Chatham street, at 1:30 p.m., and St. Andrew's Cathedral at 2 p.m.

SIMPSON—On the 30th instant, of bronchitis, Jonathan Simpson, a native of Essex, England, aged 77 years.

The funeral will take place on Monday, January 1st, 1894, at 10 o'clock a.m., from the residence of Mr. James Porter, Millstream Road, and noon at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Douglas street, Victoria. Friends are invited to attend.

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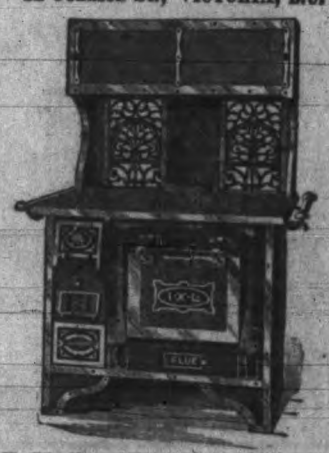

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